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Preface to First Edition

One of the most useful books in the writer's library is a little volume by Chr. Römer, called *Textbuch Für Prediger*. It appeared in Germany about twenty years ago and the writer was fortunate enough to secure a copy before it went out of print. No doubt, many other ministers, particularly the older ones, are familiar with the volume. As far as our knowledge goes, however, there is no book of its kind especially suited to the needs and practices of the American Lutheran Church.

We are confident, therefore, that this volume will be welcomed by ministers who aim to make their pulpit work as effective as possible. It will be found that the texts under the various headings will stimulate thoughts along those particular lines, even when none of the selected texts are used.

The book is offered with the earnest wish that it will find a ready place in the library of the busy pastor and be as useful to him as the German volume upon which it is based, was useful to the writer.

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Preface to Second Edition

At the request of the publishers the undersigned undertook the task of revising *Biblical Texts* shortly after it went out of print. The revision includes a greatly enlarged section on "Texts for the Church Year," together with an index of the various Pericopes according to the Church Year and another according to the books of the Bible. These additions should greatly enhance the value of the book as a manual of texts for the busy pastor. The revision is being offered in the confidence that it will become a very useful adjunct to the working library of every pastor who wants to make his preaching as effective as possible.

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I

TEXTS FOR

Special Occasions



I

Texts for Special Occasions

THE OCCASIONAL sermon or address is determined by the respective liturgical act or the particular occasion with which it has to do. The necessity of choosing a text for every occasion imposes no small burden upon the preacher. Because of the press of work or the distractions incident to the preacher's life a prompt and wise choice is not always made. The following selections, although not exhaustive, are offered as an aid to the preacher who seeks to do justice to each occasion and aims to preach the whole counsel of God.

1. Holy Baptism

Holy Baptism is usually administered in The Service. Ordinarily, this would exclude a special sermon or address. When a number of infants or adults are presented for Holy Baptism at the same time, however, a special sermon on the subject of Holy Baptism, its nature, purpose, and obligation would be in place. No better outline for such a sermon could be found than the questions on Holy Baptism in Luther's Small Catechism.

Gen. 1:27. God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him.

Gen. 12:2. I will bless thee and make thy name great, and thou shalt be a blessing.

Josh. 24:15. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

I Sam. 1:11. I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life.

I Sam. 1:20. She called his name Samuel, saying, because I have asked him of the Lord.

Psalms 8:4. What is man, that Thou art mindful of him and the son of man, that Thou visitest him?

Psalms 16:6. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places, yea, I have a goodly heritage.

Psalms 62:2. Truly my soul waiteth upon God. From Him cometh my salvation.

Psalms 103:17, 18. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children, to such as keep His covenant and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

Psalms 115:14. The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

Prov. 23:24. The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice, and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him.

Prov. 23:25. Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

Isa. 12:3. With joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

74 **Isa. 43:1.** Fear not, for I have redeemed thee. I have called thee by thy name. Thou art Mine.

Isa. 49:15, 16. Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? Yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of My hands.

73 ✓ **Isa. 54:10.** The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

Jer. 31:33. I will put My law in their inward parts and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be My people.

Jer. 32:40. I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good, but I will put My fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from Me.

Matt. 10:32, 33. Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 11:28-30. Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me. For I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

Matt. 18:3. Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Matt. 18:10. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones, for I say unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 18:14. Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

Matt. 28:18-20. All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. And, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Mark 10:14, 15. Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

Mark 16:16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Luke 2:30-32. Mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Luke 2:52. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man.

Luke 3:16. I indeed baptize you with water, but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose, He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire.

¹³✓ **Luke 10:20.** Rejoice because your names are written in heaven.

¹³ ✓ **Luke 10:23.** Blessed are the eyes which see the things that ye see.

¹³ **John 1:12.** But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name.

John 3:5, 6. Except a man be born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

John 8:31, 32. If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 14:6. I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father but by Me.

John 18:37. Everyone that is of the truth heareth My voice.

Acts 2:38. Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 8:36, 37. See, here is water, what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, if thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

Acts 16:30, 31. Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Acts 22:16. Now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

Rom. 6:3. Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death?

Rom. 8:17. We are the children of God: and if children, then heirs, heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ.

Rom. 10:4. Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Rom. 14:8. Whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord, whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

I Cor. 1:9. God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

I Cor. 6:20. Ye are bought with a price, therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

II Cor. 3:17. Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Gal. 3:26, 27. For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ.

Eph. 4:5. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Eph. 4:24. Put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Col. 1:12, 13. Give thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light, who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son.

I Thess. 5:9. God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Thess. 5:23, 24. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly, and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it.

I Tim. 6:12. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

II Tim. 1:8, 9. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner; but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God, who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

II Tim. 2:19. Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, the Lord knoweth them that are His. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

Titus 3:5. Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.

Heb. 10:39. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition, but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

II Peter 3:18. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

I John 3:1. Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God.

I John 4:19. We love Him, because He first loved us.

I John 5:4. Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

I John 5:12. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

Rev. 2:10. Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

Rev. 22:4. And they shall see His face; and His name shall be in their foreheads.

2. Confirmation

Confirmation is closely related to Baptism. In the early church it was administered at the close of the rite of Holy

Baptism in imitation of the apostolic practice (Acts 19:6). In Confirmation the confirmand repeats with his own lips the confession of faith and the promise of faithfulness which were made for him by his sponsor at his baptism. The Lutheran Church makes much of Confirmation, and the sermon at Confirmation will contain admonition and encouragement to faithfulness. The occasion often affords opportunity to address similar words of admonition and encouragement to those who have been previously confirmed.

Gen. 17:1. I am the Almighty God; walk before Me, and be thou perfect.

Gen. 32:10. I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies and of all the truth, which Thou hast showed unto Thy servant.

Gen. 39:9. How then can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?

Lev. 19:2. Ye shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

Deut. 4:23. Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the Lord your God, which He made with you.

13 ✓ **Deut. 4:29.** But if thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find Him, if thou seek Him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

13 ✓ **Deut. 4:31.** The Lord thy God is a merciful God; He will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which He swore unto them.

Deut. 4:39, 40. Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the Lord He is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath, there is none else. Thou shalt keep therefore His statutes, and His commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth, which the Lord thy God giveth thee for ever.

Deut. 6:5, 6. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart.

Deut. 7:9. Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love Him and keep His commandments to a thousand generations.

Deut. 10:12. What doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul?

Deut. 10:20. Thou shalt fear the Lord thy God; Him shalt thou serve, and to Him shalt thou cleave.

Deut. 11:26-28. Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; a blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you this day: and a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the Lord your God.

Deut. 31:6. Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them, for the Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee, He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Josh. 1:5, 6. I will be with thee, I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of a good courage.

Josh. 1:8. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein, for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Josh. 22:29. God forbid that we should rebel against the Lord, and turn this day from following the Lord.

Josh. 23:11. Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the Lord your God.

Josh. 24:14. Fear the Lord, and serve Him in sincerity and in truth.

Josh. 24:15. Choose you this day whom ye will serve.

Judg. 13:12. How shall we order the child, and how shall we do unto him?

Judg. 16:28. O Lord God, remember me, I pray Thee, and strengthen me.

I Sam. 7:12. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.

I Sam. 12:24. Fear the Lord, and serve Him in truth with all your heart, for consider how great things He hath done for you.

I Sam. 16:7. The Lord seeth not as man seeth, for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.

II Sam. 15:26. Behold, here am I, let him do to me as seemeth good unto him.

II Sam. 22:31. As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the Lord is tried; He is a buckler to all them that trust in Him.

II Sam. 22:33. God is my strength and power, and He maketh my way perfect.

I Kings 8:57, 58. The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers. Let Him not leave us nor forsake us, that He may incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and His statutes, and His judgments, which He commanded our fathers.

76 I Chron. 16:11. Seek the Lord and His strength, seek His face continually.

I Chron. 28:9. My son, know thou the God of thy father and serve Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind, for the Lord searcheth all hearts and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts. If thou seek Him, He will be found of thee, but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off for ever.

I Chron. 29:5. Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?

II Chron. 13:10. But as for us, the Lord is our God, and we have not forsaken Him.

70 II Chron. 15:2. The Lord is with you, while ye be with Him, and if ye seek Him, He will be found of you, but if ye forsake Him, He will forsake you.

77 Neh. 8:10. This day is holy unto our Lord, neither be ye sorry, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

Neh. 13:31. Remember me, O my God, for good.

74 Job 28:28. Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding.

Psalms 1:1-3. Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither, and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Psalms 1:6. The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Psalms 22:25. My praise shall be of Thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear Him.

Psalms 23:1. The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

Psalms 24:3-5. Who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart, who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Psalm 25:2, 3. O my God, I trust in Thee, let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me. Yea, let none that wait on Thee be ashamed.

Psalm 25:5. Lead me in Thy truth, and teach me, for Thou art the God of my salvation. On Thee do I wait all the day.

Psalm 25:10. All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep His covenant and His testimonies.

Psalm 31:14. I trusted in Thee, O Lord. I said, Thou art my God.

Psalm 34:8. O taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed is the man that trusteth in Him.

Psalm 37:4. Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Psalm 37:28. The Lord loveth judgment and forsaketh not His saints. They are preserved forever, but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

Psalm 37:37. Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace.

Psalm 40:8. I delight to do Thy will, O my God, yea, Thy law is within my heart.

Psalm 43:3. Send out Thy light and Thy truth. Let them lead me. Let them bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy tabernacles.

Psalm 50:14. Offer unto God thanksgiving and pay thy vows unto the most high.

Psalm 51:10. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 62:1, 2. Truly my soul waiteth upon God. From Him cometh my salvation. He only is my rock and my salvation. He is my defense.

Psalm 71:5. Thou art my hope, O Lord God, Thou art my truth from my youth.

Psalm 73:28. It is good for me to draw near to God. I have put my trust in the Lord God, that I may declare all Thy works.

Psalm 86:11. Teach me Thy way, O Lord; I will walk in Thy truth. Unite my heart to fear Thy name.

Psalm 103:1-4. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, who healeth all thy diseases, who redeemeth thy life from destruction, who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies.

Psalms 103:17, 18. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children, to such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

Psalms 111:10. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Psalms 116:12. What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me?

Psalms 119:9. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way?
By taking heed thereto according to Thy word.

Psalms 119:33. Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

Psalms 119:93. I will never forget Thy precepts, for with them Thou hast quickened me.

Psalms 119:105. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Psalms 119:165. Great peace have they which love Thy law.

Psalms 139:23, 24. Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalms 143:10. Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God.

Prov. 2:6, 7. The Lord giveth wisdom, out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous. He is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.

Prov. 3:1. My son, forget not my law, but let thine heart keep my commandments.

Prov. 3:5, 6. Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.

Prov. 3:7. Be not wise in thine own eyes. Fear the Lord and depart from evil.

Prov. 4:13. Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go; keep her, for she is thy life.

Prov. 4:18, 19. The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is as darkness, they know not at what they stumble.

Prov. 4:23. Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life.

Prov. 4:27. Turn not to the right hand nor to the left. Remove thy foot from evil.

Prov. 8:17. Those that seek Me early shall find Me.

Prov. 11:19. As righteousness tendeth to life, so he that pursueth evil, pursueth it to his own death.

Prov. 12:28. In the way of righteousness is life, and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

Prov. 13:9. The light of the righteous rejoiceth, but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

Prov. 13:13. Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed, but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded.

Prov. 14:27. The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life.

Prov. 15:9. The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the Lord, but He loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

Prov. 23:17. Let not thine heart envy sinners, but be thou in the fear of the Lord all the day long.

Prov. 23:26. My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.

Eccl. 11:9. Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes, but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.

~~Prov~~ Eccl. 12:1. Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.

Eccl. 12:13, 14. Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Isa. 30:21. This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

Isa. 40:29-31. He giveth power to the faint, and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall. But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Isa. 41:10. Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee, yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness.

Isa. 43:1. Fear not, for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name. Thou art Mine.

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Lam. 3:24. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul, therefore will I hope in Him.

2 Micah 6:8. He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

Hab. 3:18, 19. I will rejoice in the Lord; I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength.

Matt. 5:6. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

8c Matt. 5:8. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

7c Matt. 5:16. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 6:20. Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.

8c Matt. 6:33. Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matt. 7:7. Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

Matt. 7:13, 14. Enter ye in at the strait gate, for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in therat; because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Matt. 7:21. Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 10:22. He that endureth to the end shall be saved.

8c 7c Matt. 10:32, 33. Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 11:28-30. Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

Matt. 16:26. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

8c Matt. 19:17. If thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.

Matt. 24:4. Take heed that no man deceive you.

Matt. 25:23. Well done, good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

Matt. 28:20. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Mark 13:37. What I say unto you, I say unto all, Watch.

Luke 1:50. His mercy is on them that fear Him from generation to generation.

Luke 2:52. Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

Luke 8:15. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

Luke 10:42. But one thing is needful, and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

Luke 11:28. Blessed are they, that hear the word of God and keep it.

Luke 12:48. Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required; and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

Luke 16:10. He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much.

Luke 17:33. Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.

Luke 21:36. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

John 1:12. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name.

John 1:16. And of His fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.

John 1:17. Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

John 3:16. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:36. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life, and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him.

John 5:24. He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life.

87 14 John 6:35. I am the bread of life, he that cometh to Me shall never hunger, and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst.

John 6:39. This is the Father's will which hath sent Me, that of all which He hath given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.

64 82 182 John 6:68. Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.

John 7:16, 17. My doctrine is not Mine, but His that sent Me. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of Myself.

185 74 John 8:12. I am the light of the world, he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

John 8:31, 32. If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed, and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

186 John 10:11. I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

84 82 76 John 10:14. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

72 70 John 10:27, 28. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me, and I give unto them eternal life, and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.

John 12:36. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light.

John 13:17. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

79 John 14:6. I am the way, the truth and the life, no man cometh unto the Father but by Me.

John 14:15. If ye love Me, keep My commandments.

70 John 14:21. He that hath My commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me; and he that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him.

John 14:27. Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you, not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 15:5. I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in Me and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit, for without Me ye can do nothing.

John 15:9, 10. As the Father hath loved Me, so have I loved you. Continue ye in My love. If ye keep My commandments, ye shall

abide in My love, even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in His love.

John 17:3. And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent. 18

John 17:11. Now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to Thee, Holy Father, keep through Thine own name those whom Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, as we are.

John 17:15. I pray not that Thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

John 17:17. Sanctify them through Thy truth, Thy word is truth.

John 18:37. Everyone that is of the truth, heareth My voice.

Acts 4:12. There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Acts 10:35. But in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with Him.

Acts 20:32. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

Acts 24:16. Herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God and toward men.

Rom. 1:16. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

Rom. 6:4
Rom. 1:17. The just shall live by faith.

Rom. 6:11, 12. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

Rom. 8:6. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Rom. 8:14. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Rom. 8:38, 39. I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

14 **Rom. 10:9.** If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him up from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Rom. 10:11. Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed.

Rom. 12:2. And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Rom. 12:12. Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer.

Rom. 12:21. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

Rom. 14:8. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord, and whether we die, we die unto the Lord; whether we live therefore, or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

Rom. 14:17. The kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Rom. 15:13. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

I Cor. 1:8, 9. God shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

I Cor. 1:30. Of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification and redemption.

I Cor. 3:16, 17. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy, for the temple of God is holy, which temple are ye.

I Cor. 6:20. Ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

I Cor. 7:23. Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.

I Cor. 10:12. Let him that thinketh he standeth, take heed lest he fall.

I Cor. 13:13. Now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

I Cor. 14:20. Brethren, be not children in understanding; howbeit in malice be children, but in understanding be men.

I Cor. 15:58. Be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

I Cor. 16:13. Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.

II Cor. 1:21, 22. Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God, who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

II Cor. 5:10. We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

II Cor. 6:1. We then, as workers together with Him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.

II Cor. 6:18. I will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

II Cor. 7:1. Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

II Cor. 8:5. But first they gave their ownelves to the Lord.

II Cor. 9:6. He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly, and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

II Cor. 12:9. My grace is sufficient for thee, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.

II Cor. 13:14. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all. Amen.

Gal. 2:20. I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Gal. 5:16. Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Gal. 5:22. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance.

Gal. 5:24. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

Gal. 6:7, 8. Be not deceived; God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

Gal. 6:9. And let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Eph. 1:3. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.

Eph. 2:10. We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Eph. 3:14-21. For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and

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earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Eph. 4:1. I therefore beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.

87 80 79 78 **Eph. 5:8.** Now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light.

Eph. 5:17. Be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

Phil. 1:6. We are confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

Phil. 1:9-11. This I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment, that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

Phil. 1:21. For me to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Phil 1:27. Let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ.

Phil. 2:5. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus.

Phil. 3:12. Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect, but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

Phil. 3:14. I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Phil. 4:8. Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

84 78 **Phil. 4:13.** I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Col. 2:6, 7. As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him, rooted and built up in Him, and stablished in

the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

Col. 3:2. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

Col. 3:17. Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

I Thess. 2:11, 12. As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children, that ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto His kingdom and glory.

I Thess. 4:3. This is the will of God, even your sanctification.

I Thess. 5:21. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

I Thess. 5:23, 24. The very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it.

II Thess. 2:16, 17. Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and stablish you in every good word and work.

I Tim. 1:5. Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience and of faith unfeigned.

I Tim. 4:8. Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

I Tim. 6:11. Follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

I Tim. 6:12. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

I Tim. 6:13, 14. I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession; that thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

II Tim. 1:8. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord.

II Tim. 2:3. Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

II Tim. 2:5. And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.

II Tim. 2:19. The foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His.

II Tim. 2:22. Flee also youthful lusts; but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

II Tim. 3:14, 15. Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; and that from a child thou hast known the holy Scriptures which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Philemon 4-6. I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers, hearing of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints; that the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

Heb. 3:7, 8. Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

Heb. 10:23. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering, for He is faithful that promised.

Heb. 10:38, 39. Now the just shall live by faith; but if any man draw back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them who believe to the saving of the soul.

Heb. 11:6. But without faith it is impossible to please Him; for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Heb. 12:1. Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.

Heb. 12:14. Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

Heb. 13:8. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today and for ever.

Heb. 13:9. It is a good thing that the heart be established with grace.

Heb. 13:14. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

Heb. 13:20, 21. Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well

pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

James 1:12. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation, for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

James 1:18. Of His own will begat He us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of His creatures.

James 1:21. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness and receive with meekness the engrafted word which is able to save your souls.

James 1:22. But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

James 3:13. Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? Let him show out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.

James 4:7, 8. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you.

I Peter 1:25. The word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

I Peter 2:9. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people, that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light.

I Peter 3:15. Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.

I Peter 5:8, 9. Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour, whom resist steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

I Peter 5:10, 11. The God of all grace, who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

II Peter 3:18. Grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

- I John 1:7.** If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.
- I John 1:9.** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- I John 2:15.** Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
- I John 2:24, 25.** Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father. And this is the promise that He hath promised us, even eternal life.
- I John 2:28.** And now, little children, abide in Him; that, when He shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.
- I John 3:1.** Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God!
- I John 3:7.** Little children, let no man deceive you.
- I John 3:18.** My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue, but in deed and in truth.
- I John 4:19.** We love Him because He first loved us.
- I John 5:3.** This is the love of God, that we keep His commandments, and His commandments are not grievous.
- II John 8.** Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.
- II John 9.** Whosoever transgresseth and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.
- III John 4.** I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in the truth.
- III John 11.** Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good, is of God, but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.
- Jude 20, 21.** But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.
- Rev. 2:10.** Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

- Rev. 3:11.** Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.
- Rev. 3:21.** To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne.
- Rev. 7:13, 14.** What are these which are arrayed in white robes? And whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- Rev. 16:15.** Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.
- Rev. 21:7.** He that overcometh shall inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he shall be My son.
- Rev. 22:14.** Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

3. Confession and Holy Communion

A service preparatory to Holy Communion may include a sermon or an address. Such a sermon or address may well set forth the nature and the benefits of the Sacrament in order to aid the communicant in appropriating the full and free forgiveness of Christ. The sermon or address should be as direct and personal as possible, emphasizing the glorious privilege of partaking of the Lord's Supper, to awaken a longing for a closer union with Christ.

- Gen. 8:21.** The imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth.
- Gen. 32:26.** I will not let Thee go, except Thou bless me.
- Gen. 41:9.** I do remember my faults this day.
- ✓**Exod. 12:11.** It is the Lord's Passover.
- Exod. 12:43.** There shall no stranger eat thereof.
- Exod. 19:6.** Ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests and an holy nation.
- Exod. 20:5, 6.** I the Lord thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me and keep My commandments.

Exod. 33:18, 19. I beseech Thee, show me Thy glory. And He said, I will make all My goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy.

Deut. 10:12, 13. What doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul?

Josh. 24:11. Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the Lord your God.

I Sam. 16:7. Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.

✓ **II Sam. 12:13.** And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord. And Nathan said unto David, The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.

I Ki. 18:21. If the Lord be God, follow Him.

I Chron. 28:9. The Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts; if thou seek Him, He will be found of thee; but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off for ever.

I Chron. 29:17. I know also, my God, that Thou triest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness.

Neh. 9:33. Thou art just in all that is brought upon us; for Thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly.

Job 22:29. When men are cast down, then shalt thou say, there is lifting up, and he shall save the humble persons.

Psalms 1:6. The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Psalms 5:4. Thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness, neither shall evil dwell with Thee.

Psalms 6:1, 2. O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine anger, neither chasten me in Thy hot displeasure. Have mercy upon me, O Lord.

Psalms 7:11. God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every day.

Psalms 14:3. They are all gone aside, they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Psalms 19:12. Who can understand his errors? Cleanse Thou me from secret faults.

41 **Psalms 19:14.** Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Psalm 22:26. The meek shall eat and be satisfied; they shall praise the Lord that seek Him; your heart shall live for ever.

Psalm 23:3. He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Psalm 25:4, 5. Show me Thy ways, O Lord; teach me Thy paths. Lead me in Thy truth and teach me, for Thou art the God of my salvation; on Thee do I wait all the day.

Psalm 25:11. For Thy name's sake, O Lord, pardon mine iniquity, for it is great.

Psalm 25:16, 17. Turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; O bring Thou me out of my distress.

Psalm 27:8, 9. When Thou saidst, seek ye My face; my heart said unto Thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek. Hide not Thy face far from me; put not Thy servant away in anger: Thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Psalm 32:1. Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Psalm 32:5. I acknowledged my sin unto Thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 34:8. O taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man that trusteth in Him.

Psalm 34:18. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Psalm 38:18. I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.

Psalm 41:4. Lord, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against Thee.

Psalm 43:3, 4. O send out Thy light and Thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy tabernacles. Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God, my exceeding joy.

Psalm 51:1-3. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of Thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Psalm 51:5. Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Psalm 51:10-12. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and

take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

Psalm 65:3. As for our transgressions, Thou shalt purge them away.

Psalm 80:19. Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, cause Thy face to shine, and we shall be saved.

Psalm 90:13, 14. Return, O Lord, how long? and let it repent Thee concerning Thy servants. O satisfy us early with Thy mercy that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Psalm 95:6-8. O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand. Today, if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

Psalm 103:1-4. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, who healeth all thy diseases, who redeemeth thy life from destruction, who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies.

Psalm 103:8-12. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide: neither will He keep His anger for ever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our transgressions from us.

Psalm 103:17, 18. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children; to such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

Psalm 116:12, 13. What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.

Psalm 119:2. Blessed are they that keep His testimonies and that seek Him with the whole heart.

Psalm 119:117. Hold Thou me up, and I shall be safe, and I will have respect unto Thy statutes continually.

Psalm 119:176. I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek Thy servant; for I do not forget Thy commandments.

Psalm 130:4. There is forgiveness with Thee.

Psalm 130:7. With the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption.

Psalm 139:23, 24. Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Prov. 3:11, 12. My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of His correction; for whom the Lord loveth, He correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

Prov. 4:18, 19. The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is as darkness; they know not at what they stumble.

Prov. 9:5. Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine which I have mingled.

Prov. 14:12. There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

Prov. 14:34. Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

Prov. 15:29. The Lord is far from the wicked, but He heareth the prayer of the righteous.

Prov. 28:13. He that covereth his sins shall not prosper, but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

Ecc. 8:11, 12. Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil. Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God.

Ecc. 12:13, 14. Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Isa. 1:18. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Isa. 5:4. What could have been done more to My vineyard, that I have not done in it? Wherefore when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes?

Isa. 38:17. Thou hast cast all my sins behind Thy back.

Isa. 43:25. I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy transgressions for Mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

Isa. 44:22. I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins. Return unto Me, for I have redeemed thee.

- Isa. 55:1. Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk, without money and without price.
- Isa. 55:6, 7. Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts and let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.
- 75 Isa. 61:10. I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness.
- Isa. 66:2. To this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My word.
- Jer. 2:13. My people have committed two evils; they have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.
- Jer. 6:16. Thus saith the Lord, stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls.
- Jer. 10:24. O Lord, correct me, but with judgment; not in Thine anger, lest Thou bring me to nothing.
- Jer. 11:4. Obey My voice, and do them, according to all which I command you, so shall ye be My people, and I will be your God.
- Jer. 17:9, 10. The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked, who can know it? I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.
- Jer. 17:14. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved, for Thou art my praise.
- Jer. 22:29. O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord.
- Jer. 29:13. And ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart.
- Jer. 31:18. Turn Thou me, and I shall be turned, for Thou art the Lord my God.
- Jer. 31:25. For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul.
- Jer. 31:34. I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.
- Lam. 1:18. The Lord is righteous, for I have rebelled against His commandments.

- 16* **Lam. 3:22-24.** It is the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul, therefore will I hope in Him.
- Lam. 5:16.** The crown is fallen from our head, woe unto us that we have sinned.
- Ezek. 18:23.** Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord God and not that he should return from his ways and live?
- Ezek. 18:31.** Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed and make you a new heart and a new spirit. For why will ye die?
- Ezek. 18:32.** For I have no pleasure in the death of him who dieth, saith the Lord God: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.
- Ezek. 34:16.** I will seek that which was lost, and bring back that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick.
- Ezek. 36:26, 27.** A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you, and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put My spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments and do them.
- Dan. 5:9.** To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses though we have rebelled against Him.
- Dan. 9:18.** We do not present our supplications before Thee for our righteousnesses; but for Thy great mercies.
- Joel 2:12, 13.** Therefore also now, saith the Lord, turn ye even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: and rend your heart and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil.
- Amos 4:12.** Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.
- Amos 5:4.** Seek ye Me, and ye shall live.
- Amos 5:14.** Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live, and so the Lord, the God of hosts, shall be with you.
- Micah 6:3.** O My people, what have I done unto thee? And wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against Me.
- Micah 6:8.** He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

Zeph. 2:3. Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought His judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness, it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger.

Zech. 8:19. Love the truth and peace.

Mal. 1:6. A son honoreth his father, and a servant his master; if then I be a father, where is Mine honor? And if I be a master, where is My fear?

Matt. 3:2. Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Matt. 3:8. Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance.

Matt. 3:10. Every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire.

Matt. 5:4. Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Matt. 5:6. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Matt. 5:16. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 5:23, 24. If thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

Matt. 6:12. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Matt. 7:13, 14. Enter ye in at the strait gate, for wide is the gate and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat, because strait is the gate and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Matt. 7:17. Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

Matt. 7:21. Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 8:2. Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean.

Matt. 8:8. Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.

Matt. 9:10. And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples.

Matt. 9:12, 13. They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will

have mercy and not sacrifice, for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Matt. 11:28-30. Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

Matt. 12:20. A bruised reed shall He not break, and smoking flax shall He not quench, till He send forth judgment unto victory.

Matt. 12:33. The tree is known by its fruits.

Matt. 13:12. Whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance; but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

Matt. 15:8. This people draweth nigh unto Me with their mouth, and honoreth Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me.

Matt. 15:28. Great is thy faith, be it unto thee even as thou wilt.

Matt. 16:24. If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me.

Matt. 16:26. What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

Matt. 17:4. Lord, it is good for us to be here.

Matt. 18:3. Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Matt. 23:37. How often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not.

Matt. 24:42. Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

Matt. 25:29. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance; but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

Matt. 26:41. Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Mark 1:15. Repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Mark 10:24. How hard it is for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!

Mark 11:25, 26. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any, that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

Luke 1:47. My spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

Luke 1:53. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He hath sent empty away.

Luke 5:8. Depart from me, for I am a sinful man.

Luke 7:49. Who is this that forgiveth sins also?

Luke 12:48. Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required; and to whom men have committed much, of him will they ask the more.

Luke 14:15. Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.

Luke 15:10. There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

Luke 15:18, 19. Father, I have sinned against heaven and before Thee and am no more worthy to be called Thy son.

Luke 18:13. God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Luke 19:10. The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which is lost.

Luke 21:34, 35. Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

Luke 22:19, 20. The words of institution.

Luke 22:29, 30. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as My Father hath appointed unto Me; that ye may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom.

Luke 24:30, 31. And it came to pass, as He sat at meat with them, He took bread, and blessed it, and brake and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew Him.

Luke 24:46, 47. It behoved Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations.

John 1:29. Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

John 3:16. God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 4:10. If thou knewest the gift of God and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink, thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

- John 5:14.** Behold, thou art made whole; sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.
- John 6:33.** The bread of God is He which cometh down from heaven and giveth life unto the world.
- John 6:35.** I am the bread of life, he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me, shall never thirst.
- John 6:37.** Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out.
- John 6:53.** Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you.
- John 6:54.** Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life.
- John 6:55, 56.** My flesh is meat indeed, and My blood is drink indeed. He that eateth My flesh and drinketh My blood, dwelleth in Me, and I in him.
- John 8:12.** I am the light of the world; he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.
- John 8:34.** Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.
- John 10:11.** I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.
- John 12:35.** Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you, for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.
- John 15:5.** I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit, for without Me ye can do nothing.
- John 20:19.** Jesus stood in the midst and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.
- John 21:12.** Come and dine.
- John 21:17.** Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee.
- Acts 3:19.** Repent ye therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.
- Acts 10:43.** Through His name, whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins.
- Acts 16:30, 31.** Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved and thy house.
- Acts 24:16.** Herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God and toward men.
- Acts 24:25.** Go away for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

Rom. 2:13. Not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.

71 Rom. 3:23, 24. All have sinned and come short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Rom. 5:1. Being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Rom. 5:20. Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.

Rom. 6:2. How shall we that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Rom. 6:14. Sin shall not have dominion over you.

Rom. 6:23. The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom. 7:24, 25. O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom. 8:13. If ye live after the flesh, ye shall die, but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

Rom. 8:34. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Rom. 12:2. Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

Rom. 12:11, 12. Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing instant in prayer.

Rom. 12:21. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

Rom. 13:11. Now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

Rom. 13:14. Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ and make not provision for the flesh to fulfil the lusts thereof.

Rom. 14:10. Why dost thou judge thy brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

I Cor. 1:30. Christ, of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.

I Cor. 6:9. Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God?

71 I Cor. 6:20. Ye are bought with a price, therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

I Cor. 9:25. Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we are incorruptible.

I Cor. 10:3, 4. Our fathers did all eat the same spiritual meat and did all drink the same spiritual drink, for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ.

I Cor. 10:12. Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

I Cor. 10:16, 17. The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we being many are one bread, and one body, for we are all partakers of that one bread.

I Cor. 10:21. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils; ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

I Cor. 11:23-26. The words of institution.

I Cor. 11:27. Whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

I Cor. 11:28, 29. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

I Cor. 11:31. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

I Cor. 15:34. Awake to righteousness and sin not.

I Cor. 16:13. Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.

II Cor. 5:15. And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.

II Cor. 5:17. If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature, old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. 82

II Cor. 5:20. Be ye reconciled to God.

II Cor. 6:1. We then, as workers together with Him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.

II Cor. 7:1. Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

II Cor. 7:10. Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of; but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

II Cor. 13:5. Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves.

- Gal. 2:20. I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.
- Gal. 5:21. They which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
- Gal. 5:24. They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
- Gal. 5:25. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
- Gal. 6:7, 8. Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption, but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap everlasting life.
- Eph. 1:3. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.
- Eph. 4:15, 16. But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.
- Eph. 4:22-24. That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.
- Eph. 5:1, 2. Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savor.
- Eph. 5:9. The fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth.
- Eph. 5:14. Awake thou that sleepest and rise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.
- Eph. 5:16. Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
- Eph. 5:17. Wherefore, be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.
- Eph. 5:25. Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it.
- Eph. 5:30. We are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones.
- Phil. 1:10, 11. That ye may prove things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

Phil. 2:1-4. If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

Phil. 2:13. It is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

Phil. 3:8. I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord.

Phil. 3:20. Our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Phil. 4:8. Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if here be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

Col. 1:12-14. Give thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son, in whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sin.

Col. 2:9. In him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

Col. 3:2. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

Col. 3:10. Ye have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him.

Col. 3:13. Even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

I Thes. 4:3. This is the will of God, even your sanctification.

I Thes. 5:9, 10. God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

II Thes. 2:16, 17. Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.

I Tim. 1:15. This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Tim. 4:8. Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

II Tim. 2:19. The Lord knoweth them that are His. And let everyone that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

Titus 2:11, 12. The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and godly, in this present world.

Heb. 2:1. We ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip.

Heb. 3:12. Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

Heb. 4:1, 2. Let us therefore fear, lest a promise being left us of entering into His rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them; but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.

Heb. 4:12, 13. For the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any twowedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in His sight; but all things are naked and open unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.

Heb. 4:16. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Heb. 10:14. By one offering He hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Heb. 10:26. If we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins.

Heb. 10:31. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Heb. 12:1, 2. Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Heb. 12:14. Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

Heb. 12:17. Esau found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

Heb. 13:10. We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.

Heb. 13:15. By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips, ~~giving~~ thanks to His name.

James 1:14, 15. Every man is tempted where he is drawn away of his own lust and enticed. Then when lust ~~hath~~ conceived, it bringeth forth sin, and sin, when it is finished, ~~bringeth~~ forth death.

James 1:21. Lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

James 2:26. As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

James 4:4. Whosoever will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

James 4:8. Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners, and purify your hearts, ye double-minded.

James 4:10. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He shall lift you up.

James 5:16. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

I Peter 1:18, 19. Ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

I Peter 2:1, 2. Lay aside all malice and all guile and hypocrisies and envies and evil speakings, as new born babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby.

I Peter 2:11. Dearly beloved, I beseech you, as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul.

 I Peter 2:24. Christ His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed.

I Peter 2:25. Ye were as sheep going astray, but now are returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your soul.

I Peter 5:6. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.

II Peter 1:10. Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure, for if ye do these things ye shall never fall.

II Peter 2:20. If after they have escaped the pollutions of the world, through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they

are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

- II Peter 3:9.** The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.
- I John 1:6, 7.** If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth; but if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.
- I John 1:8, 9.** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- I John 2:6.** He that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also so to walk, even as He walked.
- I John 2:15-17.** Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof, but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.
- I John 3:8.** He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.
- I John 3:20.** For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.
- Jude 20, 21.** But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.
- Rev. 2:5.** Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.
- Rev. 3:15, 16.** I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot; I would thou wert cold or hot. So then, because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.
- Rev. 3:17, 18.** Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy

nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eye-salve that thou mayest see.

Rev. 3:19, 20. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten; be zealous therefore and repent. Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear My voice and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.

Rev. 16:15. Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

Rev. 19:9. Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Rev. 22:11, 12. He that is unjust, let him be unjust still; and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still; and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still; and he that is holy, let him be holy still. And, behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

Rev. 22:14, 15. Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

Rev. 22:17. Let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

4. Marriage

The Order for Marriage permits an address, and where the contracting parties are members of the church, such an address is altogether proper. The sacredness of the marriage tie, the character of a true Christian home, the blessing of children, consecration to God and confidence in His constant aid, readily suggest themselves as suitable thoughts for a marriage address.

Gen. 2:18. It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make an help meet for him.

Gen. 24:58. And they called Rebekah and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go.

Exod. 23:25. And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water.

Num. 6:24-26. The Lord bless thee and keep thee; the Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

Josh. 24:14. Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve Him in sincerity and in truth; and serve ye the Lord.

Josh. 24:15. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Ruth 1:16, 17. Whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people; and thy God, my God. Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried; the Lord do so to me; and more also, if ought but death part thee and me.

II Sam. 7:29. Therefore now let it please thee to bless the house of Thy servant, that it may continue for ever before Thee.

Psalms 4:5. Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord.

Psalms 23. The Lord is my shepherd.

Psalms 25:10. All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep His covenant and His testimonies.

Psalms 33:20. Our soul waiteth for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.

Psalms 33:22. Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee.

Psalms 37:5. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.

Psalms 37:39. The salvation of the righteous is of the Lord; He is their strength in the time of trouble.

Psalms 67:1. God be merciful unto us, and bless us and cause His face to shine upon us.

Psalms 84:11. For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.

Psalms 85:8. Show us Thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us Thy salvation.

Psalms 91:1. He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

Psalms 103:17, 18. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children; to such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

Psalms 121:8. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Psalm 124:8. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 127:1, 2. Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain. It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so He giveth His beloved sleep.

Psalm 128:1-4. Blessed is everyone that feareth the Lord, that walketh in His ways. For thou shalt eat the labor of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee. Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table. Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the Lord.

Psalm 129:8. The blessing of the Lord be upon you; we bless you in the name of the Lord.

Psalm 144:15. Happy is that people, whose God is the Lord.

Prov. 1:33. Whoso hearkeneth unto Me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

Prov. 3:5, 6. Trust the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.

Prov. 3:33. The curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked; but He blesseth the habitation of the just.

Prov. 8:17. I love them that love Me; and those that seek Me early shall find Me.

Prov. 15:16. Better is little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith.

Prov. 18:22. Whosoever findeth a wife, findeth a good thing and obtaineth favor of the Lord.

Prov. 30:8, 9. Give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me, lest I be full and deny Thee, and say, who is the Lord? Or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.

Prov. 31:10-12. Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Ecc. 7:14. In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.

Isa. 25:9. Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us: this is the Lord; we have waited for Him, we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation.

Jer. 32:38, 39. They shall be My people, and I will be their God: and I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear Me for ever, for the good of them and of their children after them.

Mal. 4:2. Unto you that fear My name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in His wings.

Matt. 6:33. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matt. 7:24-27. Whosoever heareth these sayings of Mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not, for it was founded upon a rock. And everyone that heareth these sayings of Mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the wind blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell, and great was the fall of it.

Matt. 18:20. Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.

Matt. 19:5, 6. For this cause shall a man leave father and mother and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh. Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Matt. 28:20. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Luke 1:6. They were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.

Luke 10:5. Peace be to this house.

Luke 19:5, 6. When Jesus came to the place, He looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must abide at thy house. And he made haste and came down and received Him joyfully.

John 2:2. Jesus was called to the marriage.

John 2:5. Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it.

John 6:68. Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.

John 14:27. Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Acts 16:31. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Rom. 12:16. Be of the same mind one toward another.

Rom. 14:19. Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and the things wherewith one may edify another.

Rom. 15:5, 6. The God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus, that ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Rom. 15:13. The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

I Cor. 1:3. Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

II Cor. 9:8. God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work.

II Cor. 13:11. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

Gal. 6:2. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

Eph. 5:22-25. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and He is the savior of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it.

Phil. 2:2. Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

Col. 3:14, 15. Above all things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

Col. 3:17. Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

Col. 3:18, 19. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.

I Thess. 5:15. Ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves and to all men.

II Thess. 3:5. The Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.

II Thess. 3:16. The Lord of peace Himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all.

✓ **Heb. 13:5.** Be content with such things as you have, for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variable-ness, neither shadow of turning.

I Peter 3:7. Ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers be not hindered.

I Peter 5:7. Cast all your care upon Him, for He careth for you.

Jude 20, 21. But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Rev. 1:4. Grace be unto you and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come.

5. Burial of the Dead

The occasional sermon or address at the burial of the dead affords the preacher opportunity to commend the gospel of consolation to his hearers and to impress upon them the need of a right relationship to the Savior. On such occasions the minds and the hearts of the hearers are apt to be occupied with sentiments favorable to the reception of the gospel. The words of life, fitly spoken on such occasions, will sink deeply into the hearts of some and may be instrumental in leading them to the source of consolation, even winning some for the Savior who perhaps could not be won in any other way or at any other time.

The preacher will bear in mind that what he says on such an occasion will be accepted as a public confession on the part of the church which he serves. His utterances will, therefore, testify clearly to the life-giving power which comes from Christ, to the seriousness and the reality of

death, and to the importance of life as a preparation for death. By so doing the preacher can make his messages instruments of much good.

A. Death in General

Gen. 3:19. In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

Gen. 5:24. God took him.

Gen. 12:1. Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will show thee.

Gen. 47:9. The days of the years of my pilgrimage are an hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

Gen. 49:18. I have waited for Thy salvation, O Lord.

I Kings 2:2. I go the way of all the earth: be thou strong therefore, and show thyself a man.

I Kings 19:4. It is enough now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am not better than my fathers.

I Chron. 29:15. We are strangers before Thee, and sojourners, as were all our fathers; our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding.

Job 7:6. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.

Job 9:25, 26. My days are swifter than a post; they flee away, they see no good. They are passed away as the swift ships, as the eagle that hasteth to the prey. (cf. 8, 9.)

Job 12:9, 10. Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the Lord hath wrought this? In whose hand is the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind.

Job 14:1, 2. Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow and continueth not.

Job 16:22. When a few years are come, then shall I go the way whence I shall not return.

Job 19:25. I know that my redeemer liveth.

✓ **Psalms 4:8.** I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for Thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.

Psalm 9:13. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, Thou that liftest me up from the gates of death.

Psalm 16:6. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

Psalm 17:15. I will behold Thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness.

Psalm 23:4. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me, Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Psalm 27:1. The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 31:5. Into Thine hand I commit my spirit; Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.

Psalm 31:14, 15. Thou art my God. My times are in Thy hand.

Psalm 34:22. The Lord redeemeth the soul of His servants, and none of them that trust in Him shall be desolate.

Psalm 39:4. Lord, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is, that I may know how frail I am.

Psalm 39:5. Behold, Thou hast made my days as an handbreadth, and mine age is as nothing before Thee; verily, every man at his best state is altogether vanity.

Psalm 39:7. And now, Lord, what wait I for, my hope is in Thee?

Psalm 39:13. O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence and be no more.

Psalm 49:15. God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave, for He shall receive me.

Psalm 56:13. Thou hast delivered my soul from death.

Psalm 62:1, 2. Truly my soul waiteth upon God; from Him cometh my salvation. He only is my Rock and my salvation.

Psalm 68:20. Unto God the Lord belong the issues from death.

Psalm 73:25, 26. Whom have I in heaven but Thee? And there is none upon earth that I desire beside Thee. My flesh and my heart faileth; but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.

Psalm 73:28. It is good for me to draw near to God; I have put my trust in the Lord God, that I may declare all Thy works.

Psalm 90:1, 2. Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God.

- Psalm 90:12.** So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.
- Psalm 102:11, 12.** My days are like a shadow that declineth, and I am withered like grass. But Thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever and Thy remembrance unto all generations.
- Psalm 103:15, 16.** As for man, his days are as grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it and it is gone, and the place thereof shall know it no more.
- Psalm 116:7, 8.** Return unto thy rest, O my soul, for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee. For Thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears and my feet from falling.
- Psalm 116:15.** Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.
- Psalm 118:17.** I shall not die but live and declare the works of the Lord.
- Psalm 119:19.** I am a stranger in the earth.
- Psalm 119:92.** Unless Thy law had been my delight, I should then have perished in mine affliction.
- Psalm 126:5.** They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.
- Prov. 10:28.** The hope of the righteous shall be gladness.
- Prov. 12:28.** In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death.
- Eccl. 7:2.** It is better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting, for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart.
- Eccl. 12:7.** Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.
- Eccl. 12:13, 14.** Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: fear God, and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.
- Isa. 25:8.** He will swallow up death in victory, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces.
- Isa. 33:20, 24.** Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities; the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick.
- Isa. 35:10.** The ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.
- Isa. 38:1.** Set thine house in order, for thou shalt die, and not live.
- Isa. 54:10.** The mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

- Isa. 57:1.** The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart; and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come.
- Isa. 61:10.** I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness.
- Jer. 10:19.** My wound is grievous, but I said, Truly this is a grief, and I must bear it.
- Jer. 31:3.** I have loved thee with an everlasting love, therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.
- Lam. 3:26.** It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.
- Lam. 3:31, 32.** The Lord will not cast off for ever, but though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of His mercies.
- Zeph. 3:18.** I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.
- Matt. 4:16.** To them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.
- Matt. 5:6.** Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.
- Matt. 5:8.** Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
- Matt. 6:10.** Thy will be done.
- Matt. 7:13, 14.** Enter ye in at the strait gate, for wide is the gate and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; because strait is the gate and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
- Matt. 11:28, 29.** Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.
- Matt. 13:43.** Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their father.
- Matt. 16:26.** What is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?
- Matt. 22:32.** God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.
- Matt. 24:13.** He that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

Matt. 24:42. Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

Matt. 25:34. Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

Mark 12:17. Render unto God the things that are God's.

Luke 7:13. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said unto her, Weep not.

Luke 12:35. Let your loins be girded about and your lights burning.

Luke 12:37. Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord, when He cometh, shall find watching.

Luke 12:48. Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required; and to whom men have committed much, of him they shall ask the more.

Luke 13:24. Strive to enter in at the strait gate, for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

Luke 14:15. Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.

Luke 15:10. There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

Luke 16:19-31. The rich man and Lazarus.

Luke 19:10. The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

Luke 23:43. Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise.

John 3:16. God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 5:24. He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death into life.

John 6:40. This is the will of Him that sent Me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

John 8:51. If a man keep My saying, he shall never see death.

John 9:4. The night cometh when no man can work.

John 10:27, 28. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me, and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.

John 11:11. Our friend Lazarus sleepeth.

John 11:25, 26. I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me, shall never die.

John 14:2, 3. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself, that where I am, there ye may be also.

John 14:6. I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father but by Me.

John 14:19. Because I live, ye shall live also.

John 16:22. Ye now therefore have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

John 17:24. Father, I will that they also, whom Thou hast given Me, be with Me where I am.

Acts 4:12. There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved.

Acts 7:55. He looked up stedfastly into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.

Rom. 2:6. God will render to every man according to his deeds.

Rom. 5:1, 2. Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Rom. 6:23. The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom. 8:1. There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus.

Rom. 8:16, 17. We are the children of God, and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ.

Rom. 8:28. We know that all things work together for good to them that love God.

Rom. 8:38, 39. I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Rom. 14:8. Whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord; whether we live therefore, or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

I Cor. 2:9. Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.

I Cor. 15:22. In Christ shall all be made alive.

I Cor. 15:26. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

I Cor. 15:42-44. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption; it is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body.

✓ **I Cor. 15:55-57.** O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

II Cor. 1:3, 4. Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort, who comforteth us in all our tribulation.

II Cor. 5:1. We have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

II Cor. 5:8. We are willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

II Cor. 5:10. We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that everyone may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

Eph. 2:8. By grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Phil. 1:21. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Phil. 2:12. Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

Phil. 3:20, 21. Our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able to subdue all things unto Himself.

✓ **I Thess. 4:13.** I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

I Thess. 5:9, 10. God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

II Thess. 2:16, 17. Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.

✓ **I Tim. 1:15.** This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

II Tim. 1:10. Jesus Christ hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

II Tim. 1:12. I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.

II Tim. 2:11, 12. If we be dead with Him, we shall also live with Him; if we suffer, we shall also reign with Him; if we deny Him, He will also deny us.

Heb. 4:1. Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into His rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.

Heb. 4:3. We which have believed do enter into rest.

Heb. 4:9-11. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from His. Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest.

Heb. 7:25. Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Heb. 9:27. It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.

Heb. 10:39. We are of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

Heb. 12:22. Ye are come unto mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels.

Heb. 13:14. Here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

James 4:14. What is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time and then vanisheth away.

I Peter 1:8, 9. Ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory, receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

I Peter 1:24, 25. All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away, but the word of the Lord endureth for ever.

II Peter 3:13. We look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

I John 2:17. The world passeth away, and the lust thereof, but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

I John 3:2. Now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

I John 5:12. He that hath the Son, hath life, and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

Rev. 1:17, 18. He laid His right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not, I am the first and the last; I am He that liveth and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore and have the keys of hell and of death.

Rev. 3:5. He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.

Rev. 19:9. Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Rev. 22:12. Behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

B. Sudden Death

Gen. 4:10. The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto Me from the ground (murder).

✓ **Gen. 18:25.** Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

✓ **I Sam. 3:18.** It is the Lord, let Him do what seemeth good.

II Sam. 15:26. Here am I, let Him do to me as seemeth good unto Him.

II Sam. 23:5. Although my house be not so with God, yet He hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and sure.

✓ **II Kings 20:1.** Set thine house in order, for thou shalt die and not live.

✓ **Job 1:21.** The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord.

Job 12:10. In God's hand is the soul of every living thing and the breath of all mankind.

✓ **Job 13:15.** Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him.

Job 14:1. Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble.

Job 34:20. In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight and pass away; and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.

Psalms 39:9. I was dumb, I opened not my mouth, because Thou didst it.

✓ **Psalms 46:10.** Be still, and know that I am God.

Psalm 73:16. When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me.

Psalm 97:1, 2. The Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice; righteousness and judgment are the habitation of His throne.

Psalm 102:23. The Lord weakened my strength in the way; He shortened my days.

Psalm 103:15, 16. As for man, his days are as grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

Psalm 145:14. The Lord upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all that be bowed down.

Prov. 27:1. Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.

Isa. 10:3. What will ye do in the day of visitation? To whom will ye flee for help?

Isa. 38:15. What shall I say? He hath both spoken unto me, and Himself hath done it.

Isa. 55:8, 9. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

Jer. 9:23, 24. Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches, but let him that glorieth, glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth Me, that I am the Lord which exercise lovingkindness, judgment and righteousness in the earth.

Lam. 1:12. Behold and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me.

Lam. 1:20. Abroad the sword bereaveth, at home there is death (in time of war).

Hosea 4:1, 2. Hear the word of the Lord, for the Lord hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood (murder).

Hosea 6:1. Come, and let us return unto the Lord, for He hath torn, and He will heal us; He hath smitten, and He will bind us up.

Amos 3:6. Shall there be evil in a city, and the Lord hath not done it?

Matt. 6:10. Thy will be done.

Matt. 25:10. While they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage.

- Matt. 25:13.** Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.
- Luke 12:37.** Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh shall find watching.
- Luke 13:4, 5.** Those eighteen, upon whom the tower of Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay, but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
- Luke 21:34.** Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.
- John 13:7.** What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter.
- John 21:22.** If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? Follow thou Me.
- Rom. 11:33, 34.** O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? Or who hath been His counsellor?
- Rom. 14:7, 8.** For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord; whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.
- I Cor. 13:12.** For now we see through a glass, darkly, but then face to face.
- Eph. 5:15, 16.** See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
- Heb. 12:15.** Look diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God.
- James 4:13, 14.** Go to now, ye that say, today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell and get gain, whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow.
- Rev. 14:13.** Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them.

C. After Prolonged Illness

- ✓ **Job 3:20-22.** Wherefore is light given to him that is in misery, and life unto the bitter in soul; which long for death, but it cometh not; and dig for it more than for hid treasures; which rejoice exceedingly, and are glad, when they can find the grave?

Job 5:17. Happy is the man whom God correcteth, therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty.

Psalms 6:2-4. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak: O Lord, heal me; for my bones are vexed. My soul is also sore vexed, but Thou, O Lord, how long? Return, O Lord, deliver my soul; O save me for Thy mercies' sake.

Psalms 16:6. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places, yea, I have a goodly heritage.

Psalms 17:15. I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness.

Psalms 18:28. Thou wilt light my candle; the Lord my God will enlighten my darkness.

Psalms 23:4. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me, Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Psalms 30:11, 12. Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing; Thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness; to the end that my glory may sing praise to Thee, and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks unto Thee for ever.

Psalms 31:14, 15. I trusted in Thee, O Lord; I said, Thou art my God. My times are in Thy hand.

Psalms 31:24. Be of good courage, and He will strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord.

Psalms 34:12. What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?

Psalms 34:19. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.

Psalms 38:10. My heart panteth, my strength faileth me; as for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone from me.

Psalms 38:15. For in Thee, O Lord, do I hope; Thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.

Psalms 38:21, 22. Forsake me not, O Lord; O my God, be not far from me. Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation.

Psalms 42:2. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God; when shall I come and appear before God?

Psalms 42:5. Why art thou cast down, O my soul? And why art thou disquieted in me? Hope thou in God, for I shall yet praise Him for the help of His countenance.

Psalms 50:15. Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.

Psalms 68:19, 20. Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. He that is our God is the

God of salvation; and unto God the Lord belong the issues from death.

Psalm 71:20, 21. Thou, which hast showed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth. Thou shalt increase my greatness and comfort me on every side.

✓ **Psalm 73:26-28.** My flesh and my heart faileth, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever. But it is good for me to draw near to God. I have put my trust in the Lord God, that I may declare all Thy works.

Psalm 91:15. He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him.

Psalm 119:71. It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I might learn Thy statutes.

Psalm 126:5, 6. They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

Psalm 130:5. I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and in His word do I hope.

Isa. 30:15. In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength.

Lam. 3:22-24. It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul, therefore will I hope in Him.

Lam. 3:26. It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.

Matt. 5:12. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven.

Matt. 26:39. If it be possible, let this cup pass from Me, nevertheless, not as I will, but as Thou wilt.

Luke 21:19. In your patience possess ye your souls.

Luke 23:43. Today shalt thou be with Me in paradise.

John 16:22. Ye now therefore have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

Acts 14:22. Through much tribulation must we enter into the kingdom of God.

Rom. 5:3-5. We glory in tribulations also, knowing that tribulation worketh patience, and patience, experience; and experience, hope; and hope maketh not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Rom. 8:18. I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

I Cor. 10:13. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

II Tim. 2:3. Endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

II Tim. 4:7, 8. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing.

Heb. 4:9. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.

Heb. 11:6. Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Heb. 12:7. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons, for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?

Heb. 12:11. Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous; nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

James 1:12. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation, for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.

James 5:11. Behold, we count them happy which endure.

Rev. 2:10. Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer; be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

Rev. 3:11. Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Rev. 7:13-17. What are these which are arrayed in white robes, and whence came they? These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple; and He that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters, and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Rev. 21:4. God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away.

D. Death of Parents

- ✓ **Gen. 48:21.** Behold, I die, but God shall be with you.
- Gen. 50:21.** Now therefore fear ye not; I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.
- I Ki. 2:2, 3.** I go the way of all the earth; be thou strong therefore, and show thyself a man; and keep the charge of the Lord thy God, to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, and His commandments, and His judgments, and His testimonies.
- Psalms 9:9, 10.** The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. And they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee, for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee.
- Psalms 10:14.** The poor committeth himself unto Thee; Thou art the helper of the fatherless.
- Psalms 27:10.** When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up.
- Psalms 39:9.** I was dumb, I opened not my mouth, because Thou didst it.
- Psalms 46:10.** Be still, and know that I am God.
- Psalms 50:15.** Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.
- Psalms 68:5.** A father of the fatherless and a judge of the widows, is God in His holy habitation.
- Psalms 70:5.** I am poor and needy; make haste unto me, O God; Thou art my help and my deliverer.
- Psalms 72:12, 13.** He shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and him that hath no helper. He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.
- Psalms 103:13.** Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him.
- Psalms 118:8.** It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man.
- Psalms 146:8, 9.** The Lord raiseth them that are bowed down; the Lord loveth the righteous; the Lord preserveth the strangers; He releiveth the fatherless and widow.

- Prov. 20:7.** The just man walketh in his integrity; his children are blessed after him.
- Isa. 28:29.** This also cometh forth from the Lord of hosts, which is wonderful in counsel and excellent in working.
- Isa. 41:13.** I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not, I will help thee.
- Isa. 63:16.** Thou, O Lord, art our father, our redeemer; Thy name is from everlasting.
- Isa. 66:13.** As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you, and ye shall be comforted.
- Jer. 31:9.** They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them; I will cause them to walk by the rivers of water in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble.
- Lam. 3:25.** The Lord is good unto them that wait for Him, to the soul that seeketh Him.
- Lam. 3:27.** It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.
- Lam. 3:33.** The Lord doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.
- Lam. 5:15, 16.** The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning. The crown is fallen from our head.
- Matt. 10:37.** He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me.
- John 14:18.** I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you.
- John 16:22.** Ye now therefore have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.
- John 17:9.** I pray for them; I pray not for the world, but for them which Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine.
- Acts 21:13, 14.** What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? For I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus. And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done.
- Rom. 8:31.** If God be for us, who can be against us?
- I Cor. 10:13.** God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.
- II Cor. 5:8.** We are confident and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.
- I Peter 5:7.** Cast all your care upon Him, for He careth for you.

E. Death of the Mature and Aged

Gen. 15:15. Thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

Gen. 25:8. Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years; and was gathered to his people.

Deut. 34:5-7. So Moses, the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab. And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died; his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

Josh. 23:14. Behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth; and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof.

I Ki. 19:4. It is enough now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am not better than my fathers.

Job 5:26. Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season.

Job 42:17. So Job died, being old and full of days.

Psalms 71:9. Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth.

Psalms 71:18. Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have showed Thy strength unto this generation, and Thy power to every one that is to come.

Psalms 73:24. Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel and afterward receive me to glory.

Psalms 90:10. The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labor and sorrow, for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

Psalms 91:16. With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation.

Prov. 17:6. Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.

Matt. 20:8. When even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the laborers and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first.

Luke 2:29, 30. Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation.

Phil. 1:23. I have a desire to depart and to be with Christ.

Heb. 4:9. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.

Heb. 11:13. These all died in faith and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

F. Death in Youth

- Gen. 22:2.** Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.
- II Sam. 1:26.** I am distressed for thee, my brother, Jonathan; very pleasant hast thou been unto me; thy love to me was wonderful.
- II Sam. 19:34.** How long have I to live?
- Psalms 25:7.** Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; according to Thy mercy remember Thou me for Thy goodness' sake, O Lord.
- Psalms 40:3.** He hath put a new song in my mouth.
- Psalms 90:5, 6.** Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep; in the morning it flourisheth and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down and withereth.
- Psalms 102:23.** He weakened my strength in the way; He shortened my days.
- Psalms 102:24.** O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days.
- Psalms 103:15, 16.** As for man, his days are as grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.
- Psalms 119:9.** Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to Thy word.
- Prov. 23:26.** My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe My ways.
- Eccles. 11:9.** Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes; but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.
- Eccles. 12:1.** Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.
- Isa. 40:30, 31.** Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint.
- Isa. 55:8.** For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord.

Matt. 5:8. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Luke 7:11-17. The widow's son at Nain.

Luke 10:42. But one thing is needful, and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

John 11:21. Lord, if Thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

I John 2:14, 15. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

G. Death of Children

Gen. 37:35. I will go down into the grave unto my son mourning. Thus his father wept for him.

Gen. 42:36. And Jacob their father said unto them, Me have ye bereaved of my children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin away; all these things are against me.

Gen. 45:5. God did send me before you to preserve life.

I Sam. 1:27, 28. For this child I prayed; and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of Him; therefore also I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord.

I Sam. 3:18. It is the Lord, let Him do what seemeth Him good.

II Sam. 12:23. But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.

II Sam. 18:33. O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!

II Ki. 4:26. Is it well with the child? And she answered, It is well.

Job 1:21. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord.

Job 14:1, 2. Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth as a shadow, and continueth not.

Psalms 16:6. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

Psalms 42:11. Why art thou cast down, O my soul? And why art thou disquieted within me? Hope thou in God, for I shall yet praise Him, who is the health of my countenance and my God.

Psalms 46:1. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Psalms 119:19. I am a stranger in the earth.

Psalms 119:75, 76. I know, O Lord, that Thy judgments are right, and that Thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me. Let, I pray Thee, Thy merciful kindness be for my comfort.

Psalms 127:2. He giveth His beloved sleep.

Psalms 127:3. Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord.

Ecclesiastes 7:1. The day of death is better than the day of one's birth.

Isaiah 40:11. He shall feed His flock like a shepherd; He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom.

Isaiah 49:15. I will not forget thee.

Jeremiah 29:11. I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil.

Jeremiah 31:3. I have loved thee with an everlasting love; therefore, with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

Jeremiah 31:16. Thus saith the Lord, Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears.

Jeremiah 31:17. There is hope in thine end, saith the Lord, that thy children shall come again to their own border.

Ezekiel 24:16. Behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke; yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears run down.

Zephaniah 8:5. And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.

Matt. 6:10. Thy will be done.

Matt. 9:24. The maid is not dead but sleepeth.

Matt. 10:37. He that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

Matt. 18:2. Jesus called a little child unto Him.

Matt. 18:3. Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Matt. 18:10. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 18:14. It is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish (for an unbaptized child).

Mark 5:39. Why make ye this ado and weep? The damsel is not dead but sleepeth.

Mark 10:14. Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God.

Mark 10:15. Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

Mark 10:16. Jesus took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them and blessed them.

Luke 1:66. What manner of child shall this be? (for an unbaptized child).

Luke 7:13. Weep not!

John 6:39. This is the Father's will which hath sent Me, that of all which He hath given Me, I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day (for an unbaptized child).

John 10:11. I am the good shepherd.

John 10:27, 28. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me, and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.

John 13:7. What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter.

John 14:1. Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

John 14:2. In My Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you.

Rom. 9:20. O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, why hast thou made me thus?

Eph. 3:14, 15. For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named.

II Tim. 3:14, 15. Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; and that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Heb. 12:6. Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom He receiveth.

Heb. 12:11. Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous; nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

I Peter 1:24. All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away.

I Peter 5:7. Cast all your care upon Him, for He careth for you.

Rev. 7:16. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

H. Doubtful Cases

(Suicide, Murder, Accident, etc.)

The task of preaching at the burial of those who die without the evidence of faith is a delicate and a difficult one. It becomes doubly difficult in the case of a suicide, but no minister should shrink from the task. A keen sense of discretion, mingled with unwavering fidelity to the truth, will seldom fail to dictate what may be said on such occasions. It is frequently best and shows the most real kindness to say nothing of the hidden motives which may have led to the act of suicide. Nor is it wise to say anything about the eternal future of the departed.

Rather let the preacher direct the hearts of the mourners to Him who has said, "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in Me." The preacher's task must ever be to point to Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and the source of all lasting consolation. No set rules can be laid down, for every case has its own peculiar features, and the preacher must be guided by them. Let him remember the promise of the Lord, "It shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak," Matt. 10:19. When the servant of God himself has drawn nigh to God, God will bless his efforts to draw also others unto Him.

Gen. 4:10. What hast thou done? The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto Me from the ground.

- Gen. 9:6.** Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed, for in the image of God made He man.
- Exod. 20:2, 3.** I am the Lord thy God. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
- Deut. 32:29.** O that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end!
- II Sam. 18:33.** O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!
- Psalms 55:22.** Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee; He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.
- Psalms 119:92.** Unless Thy law had been my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.
- Psalms 130:3, 4.** If Thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee, that Thou mayest be feared.
- Psalms 139:23, 24.** Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my thoughts, and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.
- Prov. 14:12.** There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.
- Prov. 14:34.** Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.
- Isa. 59:1, 2.** Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, that He will not hear.
- Jer. 14:7.** O Lord, though our iniquities testify against us, do Thou it for Thy name's sake; for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against Thee.
- Lam. 3:39, 40.** Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins? Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord.
- Matt. 6:13.** Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- Matt. 7:1.** Judge not, that ye be not judged.
- Matt. 15:19, 20.** Out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. These are the things which defile a man.
- Mark 14:38.** Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.
- Luke 22:31, 32.** Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat; but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not.

- Luke 23:34.** Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.
- John 12:35.** Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you; for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.
- Rom. 6:23.** The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- I Cor. 10:12.** Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.
- Gal. 6:1.** Consider thyself, lest thou also be tempted.
- Gal. 6:7, 8.** Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.
- Heb. 3:13.** Exhort one another daily, while it is called today: lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.
- James 1:13, 14.** Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God; for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth He any man. But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.
- James 4:7, 8.** Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you.
- I Peter 2:11.** I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul.

6. Ordination

Ordination is the solemn approval and the public attestation on the part of the church of the call to the ministry of the gospel. The candidate for ordination pledges himself to preach and teach the Word of God in accordance with the Confessions of the church, to administer the sacraments after the ordinance of Christ, and to adorn his office with a corresponding life. The sermon on such an occasion, therefore, can properly portray the divinity, dignity, and desirability of the office of the ministry of the gospel.

- Gen. 32:10.** I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which Thou hast showed unto Thy servant.
- Exod. 4:12.** Now therefore go, and I will be thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

Num. 11:29. Would God that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put His spirit upon them!

Josh. 1:7, 8. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses My servant commanded thee; turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

I Sam. 18:17. Only be thou valiant and fight the Lord's battles.

II Sam. 7:18. Who am I, O God and what is my house, that Thou hast brought me hitherto?

I Chron. 28:20. Be strong and of good courage, and do it; fear not, nor be dismayed; for the Lord God, even my God, will be with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the Lord.

I Chron. 29:5. Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?

I Chron. 29:11. Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine; Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all.

Neh. 8:10. This day is holy unto our Lord; neither be ye sorry, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

Psalms 34:3. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.

Psalms 51:10. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalms 90:17. Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it.

Psalms 92:4. Thou, Lord, hast made me glad through Thy work. I will triumph in the works of Thy hands.

Psalms 116:12-14. What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His people.

Psalms 118:24. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

- Psalms 119:36-38.** Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies, and not to covetousness. Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken Thou me in Thy way. Stablish Thy word unto Thy servant, who is devoted to Thy fear.
- Isa. 6:8.** Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I, send me.
- Isa. 50:4.** The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary; He wakeneth morning by morning, He wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.
- Isa. 52:7.** How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!
- Isa. 55:10, 11.** For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater: so shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth; it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.
- Isa. 59:21.** My spirit that is upon thee, and My words which I have put into thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth.
- Isa. 61:6.** Ye shall be named the priests of the Lord; men shall call you the ministers of our God.
- Isa. 62:6.** I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night; ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence.
- Isa. 66:19.** I will set a sign among them, and I will send those that escape of them unto the nations, to Tarshish, Pul and Lud, that draw the bow, to Tubal, and Javan, to the isles afar off, that have not heard My fame, neither have seen My glory; and they shall declare My glory among the Gentiles (ordination of missionary).
- Jer. 3:15.** I will give you pastors according to Mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.
- Jer. 23:29.** Is not My word like as a fire, saith the Lord, and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?
- Ezek. 3:17.** Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel, therefore, hear the word at My mouth, and give them warning from Me.

Dan. 12:3. They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars for ever and ever.

Mal. 2:7. The priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth, for he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts.

Matt. 5:16. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 5:19. Whosoever shall do and teach these commandments, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Matt. 9:37, 38. The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest.

Matt. 10:20. It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.

Matt. 10:27, 28. What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light; and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetops. And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

Matt. 10:37. He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me.

Matt. 10:39. He that findeth his life shall lose it; and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it.

Matt. 28:20. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Mark 10:29, 30. There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My sake, and the gospel's, but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.

Mark 16:15. Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Luke 2:30-32. For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Luke 5:10. Fear not, from henceforth thou shalt catch men.

Luke 6:26. Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you, for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

John 9:4. I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day, for the night cometh, when no man can work.

- John 10:14.** I am the good shepherd, and know My sheep, and am known of Mine.
- John 10:16.** Other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also must I bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.
- John 17:18.** As Thou hast sent Me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.
- John 17:20.** Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on Me through their word.
- John 18:37.** To this end I was born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth My voice.
- John 20:21-23.** As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you. And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost; whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.
- John 21:17.** Feed My sheep.
- Acts 13:2.** Separate Me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.
- Acts 13:47.** I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth (ordination of missionary).
- Acts 16:9.** Come over into Macedonia and help us (ordination of missionary).
- Acts 18:9, 10.** Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace; for I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee; for I have much people in this city.
- Acts 28:28.** Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it (ordination of missionary).
- Rom. 10:13-15.** Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things (ordination of missionary).
- Rom. 15:16.** That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles (ordination of missionary).

- I Cor. 2:2. I am determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.
- I Cor. 3:7. So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.
- I Cor. 4:1. It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.
- I Cor. 15:10. By the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.
- I Cor. 15:58. Be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.
- I Cor. 16:13. Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.
- II Cor. 2:16. And who is sufficient for these things?
- II Cor. 3:4-6. Such trust have we through Christ to God-ward: not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God, who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament, not of the letter, but of the spirit; for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.
- II Cor. 5:18. All things are of God, who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation.
- II Cor. 6:4. In all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God.
- II Cor. 8:5. But first they gave their own selves to the Lord.
- II Cor. 12:9. My grace is sufficient for thee.
- Gal. 6:14. God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Eph. 4:11, 12. He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.
- Eph. 6:14-17. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.
- Phil. 4:13. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.
- Col. 3:12. Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering.

- Col. 4:3. Pray also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ.
- Col. 4:17. Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it.
- I Tim. 3:1. If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.
- I Tim. 4:12. Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.
- I Tim. 6:11. But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.
- I Tim. 6:20. Keep that which is committed to thy trust.
- II Tim. 1:8. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord.
- II Tim. 1:12. I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day.
- II Tim. 2:3. Therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
- II Tim. 2:15. Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
- II Tim. 3:14. Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them.
- II Tim. 4:2. Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.
- II Tim. 4:5. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.
- Titus 2:7, 8. In all things show thyself a pattern of good works; in doctrine, showing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say to you.
- Heb. 11:8. By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.
- James 5:7, 8. Be patient, therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord; Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

- I Peter 4:10.** As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
- I Peter 4:11.** If any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth.
- II Peter 1:13-15.** I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath showed me. Moreover I will endeavor that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.
- I John 4:4.** Greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world.
- I John 5:5.** Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?
- III John 7.** For His name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles.
- Rev. 2:10.** Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer.

7. Installation

The sermon on the occasion of the installation of a pastor may rightly point out the proper relation between pastor and people. The choice of the text, of course, may be influenced somewhat by local conditions. The following texts offer an ample selection.

- Exod. 17:12.** Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.
- Num. 11:29.** Would God that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put His spirit upon them!
- Psalms 80:14, 15.** O God of hosts, look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine; and the vineyard which Thy right hand hath planted, and the branch that Thou madest strong for Thyself.
- Isa. 40:1.** Comfort ye, comfort ye My people, saith your God.
- Isa. 58:1.** Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show My people their transgressions, and the house of Jacob their sins.
- Jer. 1:17.** Gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee.

Ezek. 3:4, 5. Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of Israel, and speak with My words unto them. For thou art not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an hard language, but to the house of Israel.

Luke 10:16. He that heareth you heareth Me; and he that despiseth you despiseth Me; and he that despiseth Me despiseth Him that sent Me.

Luke 17:20, 21. The kingdom of God cometh not with observation. Neither shall they say, Lo herel or, Lo therel for, behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you.

John 8:47. He that is of God heareth God's words.

John 13:20. He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth Me; and he that receiveth Me receiveth Him that sent Me.

Acts 2:42. They continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and prayers.

Acts 10:33. Thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

Acts 20:24. None of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

Acts 20:27. I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

Acts 20:28. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood.

Rom. 12:4-8. As we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation; he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.

Rom. 15:29. And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.

I Cor. 1:9. God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

I Cor. 4:1, 2. Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

I Cor. 12:4-6. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

I Cor. 12:27, 28. Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular. And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.

II Cor. 5:20. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

II Cor. 12:14. Behold, I am ready to come to you; and I will not be burdensome to you, for I seek not yours, but you.

Gal. 6:9. And let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Eph. 4:1-6. I beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Eph. 4:14, 15. That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.

Phil. 2:29. Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness.

Col. 3:2. Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth.

Col. 4:2, 3. Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving, withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ.

I Thess. 2:4. As we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.

I Thess. 3:12. And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men.

- I Thess. 5:12, 13.** We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you, and to esteem them highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.
- II Thess. 3:1.** Brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified.
- I Tim. 4:16.** Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them, for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee.
- I Tim. 5:17.** Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in the word and doctrine.
- II Tim. 4:2-4.** Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
- Heb. 4:12.** The word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
- Heb. 10:23.** Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering.
- Heb. 10:24, 25.** Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is.
- Heb. 13:7.** Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God, whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation.
- Heb. 13:17.** Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves, for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief, for that is unprofitable for you.
- James 1:21.** Receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.
- James 1:22.** Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.
- James 2:26.** As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.
- I Peter 1:25.** The word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

- I Peter 2:9.** Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- I Peter 3:8.** Be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous.
- I Peter 4:10.** As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
- I Peter 5:2-4.** Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.
- III John 4.** I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.
- Rev. 3:20.** Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.

8. Introductory

A Christian congregation has a right to hear the gospel from one who has been called to preach it. "I am determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified," I Cor. 2:2. Wise, indeed, is the pastor who accepts this utterance of St. Paul as his guide and in his very first sermon makes such a simple presentation of the fundamental truths of God's Word that his people will be led to expect the same kind of preaching during his entire pastorate.

- Psalms 22:22.** I will declare Thy name unto my brethren; in the midst of the congregation will I praise Thee.
- Psalms 25:4, 5.** Show me Thy ways, O Lord; teach me Thy paths. Lead me in Thy truth, and teach me, for Thou art the God of my salvation, on Thee do I wait all the day.
- Psalms 27:11.** Teach me Thy ways, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path.
- Psalms 31:16, 17.** Make Thy face to shine upon Thy servant; save me for Thy mercies' sake. Let me not be ashamed, O Lord, for I have called upon Thee.

Psalms 40:9-11. I have preached righteousness in the great congregation; lo, I have not refrained my lips, O Lord, Thou knowest. I have not hid Thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared Thy faithfulness and Thy salvation; I have not concealed Thy lovingkindness and Thy truth from the great congregation. Withhold not Thou Thy tender mercies from me, O Lord; let Thy lovingkindness and Thy truth continually preserve me.

Psalms 51:15. O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Psalms 51:18. Do good in Thy good pleasure unto Zion; build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Psalms 56:11. In God have I put my trust; I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

Isa. 2:3. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths; for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Isa. 40:8. The word of our God shall stand for ever.

Jer. 1:6, 7. Then said, I, Ah, Lord God, behold, I cannot speak! for I am a child. But the Lord said unto me, Say not, I am a child, for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.

Matt. 22:2, 3. The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son, and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding.

Luke 11:28. Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it.

John 17:3. This is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.

Acts 2:46, 47. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

Acts 4:12. There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Acts 10:33. Now therefore we are all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

Acts 18:10. I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee, for I have much people in this city.

- Rom. 1:16.** I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.
- Rom. 15:29.** I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.
- I Cor. 1:18.** The preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness, but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.
- I Cor. 1:23.** We preach Christ crucified.
- I Cor. 2:2.** I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.
- I Cor. 3:9.** We are laborers together with God.
- I Cor. 3:11.** Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
- I Cor. 4:1.** Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God.
- I Cor. 9:16.** For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of, for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel.
- II Cor. 4:5-7.** We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.
- II Cor. 5:20.** Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.
- II Cor. 6:1, 2.** We then, as workers together with Him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. For He saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succored thee; behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.
- II Cor. 12:9.** My grace is sufficient for thee.
- Gal. 1:10.** For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.
- Eph. 6:19.** Pray always for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel.
- Phil. 1:9-11.** And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; that ye may approve

things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

Phil. 2:13. It is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

Col. 1:28, 29. Christ we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus; whereunto I also labor, striving according to His working, which worketh in me mightily.

Col. 3:16. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

I Tim. 1:15. This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Tim. 2:4. God will have all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

Heb. 13:8. Jesus Christ the same yesterday and today and for ever.

James 1: 21, 22. Receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

I Peter 1:18, 19. Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

II Peter 1:2. Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord.

I John 5:12. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

Rev. 1:4-6. Grace be unto you, and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before His throne; and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.

9. Farewell

In a farewell sermon the preacher will want his people to think more of his office than of himself and so will exhort them to "hold fast that which is good" and to "follow after the things which make for peace," Rom. 14:9. He will seek to present again the very essence of the gospel which he has been preaching and impress it upon the hearts and the minds of his people. Fortunate is the minister who can preach a farewell sermon so that the people can soon forget the man but keep the message continually in their hearts.

Num. 6:24-26. The Lord bless thee and keep thee; the Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

Deut. 30:19, 20. I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live; that thou mayest love the Lord thy God, and that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto Him, for He is thy life and the length of thy days.

Josh. 23:11. Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the Lord your God.

Psalms 115:14. The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

Eccl. 12:13. Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

Isa. 54:17. No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper.

Matt. 28:20. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Acts 20:27. I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

Acts 20:32. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

Rom. 15:33. Now the God of peace be with you all.

I Cor. 1:10. Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

- I Cor. 2:1, 2.** And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.
- I Cor. 4:3, 4.** With me ~~and~~ a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment; yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified, but He that judgeth me is the Lord.
- I Cor. 15:1, 2.** Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye received, and wherein ye stand; by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.
- I Cor. 16:13.** Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.
- II Cor. 3:2, 3.** Ye are our epistles written in our hearts, known and read of all men, forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshly tables of the heart.
- II Cor. 13:11.** Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.
- Eph. 3:14-17.** For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by the Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith.
- Eph. 6:10-17.** Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace. Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Phil. 1:9-11. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

Phil. 1:27. Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ; that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.

Phil. 4:7. The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Col. 2:6, 7. As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him, rooted and built up in Him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

I Thess. 2:11, 12. Ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children, that ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.

I Thess. 2:13. For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

I Thess. 3:9. What thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God?

I Thess. 3:12, 13. The Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you, to the end that He may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.

I Thess. 4:1, 2. Furthermore then, we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.

I Thess. 5:23. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

II Thess. 2:15-17. Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught whether by word, or our epistle. Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our

Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.

II Thess. 3:16. The Lord be with you all.

Heb. 4:1. Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into His rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.

Heb. 13:20, 21. Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

I Peter 1:24, 25. All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof fadeth away, but the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

I Peter 5:10. The God of all grace, who hath called us unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

II Peter 1:5-8. Giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I John 2:24, 25. Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father. And this is the promise that He hath promised us, even eternal life.

I John 4:16. We have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God, and God in him.

II John 8. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

III John 4. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

Jude 20, 21. But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

10. Dedication

The dedication of a building and its furnishings for sacred use is a festive occasion which can leave a lasting impression upon both pastor and people. The address or sermon will most certainly strike the note of thanksgiving to God, the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Mention of the special use to which the building and its contents are being dedicated and reference to the history of the congregation will serve to heighten the interest. Here, as in every discourse from the sacred desk, the preacher dare not forget to preach the Word of life and salvation, letting the grand truths of God's Word find clear and unmistakable expression.

A. Cornerstone

Gen. 28:22. This stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house.

Josh. 24:27. Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto us, for it hath heard all the words of the Lord which He spake unto us; it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.

Ezra 3:11. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.

Psalms 118:22-24. The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day which the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Isa. 28:16. Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation, a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation; he that believeth shall not make haste.

Acts 4:11. This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

Eph. 2:20-22. Ye are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone; in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy

temple in the Lord, in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

I Peter 2:4, 5. To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God and precious, ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

B. Church

Gen. 28:16, 17. Surely the Lord is in this place; and I knew it not. And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! This is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

Lev. 26:11. I will set My tabernacle among you.

I Ki. 8:13. I have surely built Thee an house to dwell in, a settled place for Thee to abide in for ever.

I Ki. 8:30. Hearken Thou to the supplication of Thy servant, and of Thy people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place; and hear Thou in heaven Thy dwelling place; and when Thou hearest, forgive.

I Ki. 9:3. I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put My name there for ever; and Mine eyes and Mine heart shall be there perpetually.

II Chron. 6:18. Will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? Behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee; how much less this house which I have built.

II Chron. 6:41. Now, therefore arise, O Lord God, into Thy resting place, Thou, and the ark of Thy strength; let Thy priests, O Lord God, be clothed with salvation, and let Thy saints rejoice in goodness.

Ezra 6:16. The children of Israel, the priests and the Levites, and the rest of the children of the captivity, kept the dedication of this house of God with joy.

Ezra 7:27. Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers, which hath put such a thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the Lord which is in Jerusalem.

Neh. 2:18. And they said, let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work.

Psalms 5:7. I will come into Thy house in the multitude of Thy mercy; and in Thy fear will I worship toward Thy holy temple.

Psalms 26:8. Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honor dwelleth.

Psalm 42:4. I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.

Psalm 84:1, 2. How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

Psalm 90:17. Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it.

Psalm 96:5-8. The Lord made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before Him; strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Give unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord glory and strength. Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts.

Psalm 118: 24. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 121:8. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

Psalm 122:1-9. I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together, whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord. For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces. For my brethren and companions' sake, I will now say, Peace be within thee. Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good.

Psalm 134:1-3. Behold, bless ye the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord, which by night stand in the house of the Lord. Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord. The Lord that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

Eccl. 5:1. Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools, for they consider not that they do evil.

Isa. 2:3. Many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths; for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Isa. 9:10. The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones; the sycamores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars.

Isa. 56:7. Mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.

Isa. 66:1, 2. The heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool; where is the house that ye build unto Me? And where is the place of My rest? For all those things hath Mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the Lord; but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My word.

Hag. 2:9. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts; and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts.

Matt. 17:4. Lord, it is good for us to be here.

Matt. 18:20. Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.

Matt. 28:20. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Luke 11:28. Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it.

Luke 24:52, 53. And they worshipped Him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: and were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God.

John 4:23, 24. The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for the Father seeketh such to worship Him. God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Acts 17:24, 25. God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that He is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though He needed any thing, seeing He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things.

II Cor. 6:16. What agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God, as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

Eph. 2:19-22. Ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone; in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord, in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

Heb. 10:24, 25. Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another, and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Rev. 21:3. Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God.

C. School, Parish House, Parsonage

Deut. 6:4-9. The Lord our God is one Lord, and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart; and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house and on thy gates.

Deut. 8:12-14. Beware lest when thou hast built goodly houses and dwelt therein, then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God.

Josh. 24:15. As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

II Sam. 7:11. The Lord telleth thee that He will make thee an house.

Psalms 8:2. Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast Thou ordained strength.

Psalms 111:10. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all they that do His commandments.

Psalms 127:1. Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it; except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

Prov. 3:33. The Lord blesseth the habitation of the just.

Prov. 12:7. The house of the righteous shall stand.

Prov. 14:23. In all labor there is profit, but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury.

Prov. 24:3. Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established.

Eccl. 12:13. Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

- Isa. 65:21.** They shall build houses, and inhabit them, and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.
- Matt. 5:13-16.** Ye are the salt of the earth, but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
- Matt. 19:14.** Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto Me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven.
- Matt. 22:21.** Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.
- Luke 2:49.** Wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business?
- Luke 6:47-49.** Whosoever cometh to Me, and heareth My sayings, and doeth them, I will show you to whom he is like: he is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock; and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded upon a rock. But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation, built an house upon the earth, against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.
- Luke 10:7.** Peace be to this house.
- Luke 10:38.** Martha received Him into her house.
- Luke 19:5.** Today I must abide at thy house.
- I Cor. 1:27.** God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty.
- II Cor. 5:1.** For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.
- II Tim. 3:15-17.** That from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.
- Heb. 3:4.** Every house is builded by some man, but He that built all things is God.

Heb. 11:10. For he [Abraham] looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Heb. 13:17. Obey them that have rule over you, and submit yourselves, for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief, for that is unprofitable for you.

Rev. 21:3. Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them and be their God.

D. Church Furnishings

1. Baptismal Font

Mark 10:14. Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God.

Mark 16:16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.

I Peter 3:21. Baptism doth also now save us, not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

2. Altar

Judg. 6:24. Then Gideon built an altar there unto the Lord, and called it Jehovah-shalom.

Psalms 26:6, 7. I will wash mine hands in innocency; so will I compass Thine altar, O Lord; that I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all Thy wondrous works.

Heb. 13:10. We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.

3. Pulpit, Lectern

Psalms 22:22. I will declare Thy name unto my brethren; in the midst of the congregation will I praise Thee.

Psalms 51:15. O Lord, open Thou my lips; and my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Jer. 15:16. Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart, for I am called by Thy name, O Lord God of hosts.

Luke 4:16-19. And he came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, and, as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written, "The

Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He hath anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."

Luke 11:28. Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it.

Acts 4:29. Grant unto Thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak Thy word.

Rev. 2:7. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Rev. 22:19. If any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

4. Organ

Judg. 5:3. I will sing unto the Lord; I will sing praise to the Lord God of Israel.

I Sam. 16:23. And it came to pass, when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand; so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him.

Psalms 57:7, 8. I will sing and give praise. Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp; I myself will awake early.

Psalms 96:1. O sing unto the Lord a new song; sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

Psalms 98:4-6. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth; make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise. Sing unto the Lord with the harp; with the harp and the voice of a psalm. With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the Lord, the King.

Psalms 137:4. How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?

Psalms 150:1-6. Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in the firmament of His power. Praise Him for His mighty acts; praise Him according to His excellent greatness. Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet; praise Him with the psaltery and harp. Praise Him with the timbrel and dance; praise Him with stringed instruments and organs. Praise Him upon the loud cymbals; praise Him upon the high sounding cymbals. Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

I Cor. 14:15. I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

Eph. 5:19. Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.

Col. 3:16. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

James 5:13. Is any among you afflicted? Let him pray. Is any merry? Let him sing psalms.

5. Bells and Chimes

Psalm 95:6-8. O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand. Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

Isa. 2:2 . Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob.

Luke 14:17. Come, for all things are now ready.

John 11:28. The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

11. Special Days

A. Memorial Day

On the 30th of May, America pays tribute to her soldier dead. The day has found a permanent place in the calendar of national holidays, and well so, for any nation which is unmindful of its heroic past will be heedless of its possible future. The church can ill afford to ignore holidays of this nature which touch the very heart of our national life. A sense of dependence upon God as a nation will contribute much to the spirit which makes a nation strong. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord," Ps. 33:12.

Judg. 5:9. My heart is toward the governors of Israel, that offered themselves willingly among the people. Bless ye the Lord.

Judg. 5:11. They that are delivered from the noise of archers in the places of drawing water, there shall they rehearse the righteous acts of the Lord, even the righteous acts toward the inhabitants of His villages in Israel.

I Sam. 2:6-8. The Lord killeth, and maketh alive; He bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up. The Lord maketh poor, and maketh

rich; He bringeth low, and lifteth up. He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory; for the princes of the earth are the Lord's, and He hath set the world upon them.

I Sam. 12:7. Now therefore stand still, that I may reason with you before the Lord of all the righteous acts of the Lord, which He did to you and your fathers.

I Sam. 30:24. As his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff; they shall part alike.

II Sam. 1:12. They mourned, and wept, and fasted, until even for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of the Lord, and for the house of Israel, because they were fallen by the sword.

II Sam. 1:27. How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

II Sam. 3:38. Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?

I Ki. 5:4. Now the Lord my God hath given me rest on every side, so that there is neither adversary nor evil occurrent.

I Chron. 17:8. I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee a name like the name of the great men that are in the earth.

Job. 8:8-10. Enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their fathers; for we are but of yesterday, and know nothing, because our days upon earth are a shadow; shall not they teach thee, and tell thee, and utter words out of their hearts?

Psalms 3:8. Salvation belongeth unto the Lord; Thy blessing is upon Thy people.

Psalms 20:7. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

Psalms 46:8-11. Come, behold the works of the Lord, what desolations He hath made in the earth. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; He breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; He burneth the chariot in the fire. Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

- Psalms 112:6.** The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.
- Psalms 147:10, 11.** He delighteth not in the strength of the horse; He taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man. The Lord taketh pleasure in them that fear Him, in those that hope in His mercy.
- Prov. 18:10.** The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.
- Prov. 21:30, 31.** There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the Lord. The horse is prepared against the day of battle, but safety is of the Lord.
- Isa. 30:15.** In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength.
- Isa. 55:8, 9.** My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.
- Jer. 47:6.** O thou sword of the Lord, how long will it be ere thou be quiet? Put up thyself into thy scabbard, rest, and be still.
- Lam. 5:15, 16.** The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning. The crown is fallen from our head; woe unto us that we have sinned.
- Rom. 5:7.** Scarcely for a righteous man will one die, yet peradventure for a goodman some would even dare to die.
- I Tim. 1:17.** Unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever.
- I John 3:16.** Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

B. Armistice and Independence Day

The Magna Charta of true liberty is the gospel of Jesus Christ. The civil liberties which we enjoy are the direct results of that gospel. These liberties, restored by the Reformation of the sixteenth century and translated to the civil sphere, have found their highest expression in the Constitution of the United States. The annals of our nation are rich with names of men and women and places involved in the perpetual struggle to preserve our precious heritage of

liberty. The church has ever been a champion of the sound principles upon which our liberties are founded, and their presentation has a rightful place in the pulpit.

Exod. 6:7. And I will take you to Me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

Lev. 25:10. Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.

Lev. 25:23. The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is Mine: for ye are strangers and sojourners with Me.

Num. 14:9. Only rebel not ye against the Lord, neither fear ye the people of the land, for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them, and the Lord is with us: fear them not.

Deut. 4:20. But the Lord hath taken you, and brought you forth out of the iron furnace, even out of Egypt, to be unto Him a people of inheritance, as ye are this day.

Deut. 11:12. A land which the Lord thy God careth for: the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

Deut. 26:9. The Lord hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey.

Deut. 31:6. Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them; for the Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Deut. 32:7. Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders and they will tell thee.

Josh. 4:24. That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty: that ye might fear the Lord your God forever.

Judg. 10:15. We have sinned, do Thou unto us whatsoever seemeth good unto Thee; deliver us only, we pray Thee, this day.

I Sam. 7:12. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.

I Sam. 12:24. Only fear the Lord, and serve Him in truth with all your heart: for consider how great things He hath done for you.

I Ki. 8:57, 58. The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers: let Him not leave us, nor forsake us: that He may incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and His statutes, and His judgments, which He commanded our fathers.

Neh. 4:17. Everyone with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.

Psalms 29:11. The Lord will give strength unto His people, the Lord will bless His people with peace.

Psalms 33:12. Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance.

Psalms 117:1, 2. O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

Psalms 118:23, 24. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalms 126:3. The Lord hath done great things for us: whereof we are glad.

Psalms 127:1. Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

Psalms 147:12-14. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion. For He hath strengthened the bars of thy gates, He hath blessed thy children within thee. He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

Prov. 14:34. Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.

Eccles. 3:8. A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

Isa. 1:19, 20. If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land: but if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Isa. 26:12. Lord, Thou wilt ordain peace for us: for Thou also hast wrought all our works in us.

Isa. 35:10. The ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isa. 57:1, 2. The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart; and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come. He shall enter into peace; they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness.

Isa. 58:11. And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not.

Jer. 29:7. Seek the peace of the city, and pray unto the Lord for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

Jer. 29:11, 12. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you.

Lam. 3:22-24. It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul, therefore will I hope in Him.

Lam. 3:31-33. The Lord will not cast off for ever. But though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of His mercies. For He doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.

Lam. 3:40, 41. Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord. Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens.

Ezek. 27:33. When Thy wares went forth out of the seas, Thou filledst many people; Thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of Thy riches and of Thy merchandise.

Micah 4:3, 4. He shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off, and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath spoken it.

✓ **Matt. 20:26, 27.** Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister, and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant.

Matt. 22:21. Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.

Mark 13:7. And when ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars, be ye not troubled, for such things must needs be; but the end shall not be yet.

Luke 19:42. If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace!

John 8:32. And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:36. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

Acts 22:28. With a great sum obtained I this freedom.

Rom. 13:1. Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God; the powers that be are ordained of God.

Rom. 13:7. Render therefore to all their dues, tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.

Gal. 5:13. Ye have been called unto liberty, only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

Heb. 11:13-16. These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly. Wherefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He hath prepared for them a city.

Heb. 13:14. For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

James 1:25. Whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

Rev. 6:3, 4. When he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see. And there went out another horse that was red; and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another, and there was given unto him a great sword.

Rev. 6:7, 8. And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see. And I looked, and beheld a pale horse; and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.

C. Mother's Day

The Lutheran Church, with its splendid arrangement of the church year, is loathe to observe special days of every kind. Mother's Day, however, may well be accepted, and

where the arrangement of the church year does not interfere a special sermon on the beauty of motherhood, the sanctity of marriage and home life, the family altar, Christian education, and kindred subjects may well be delivered. The sentimentalities, generalities, and vagaries characteristic of so many Mother's Day sermons are certainly to be avoided. Let the soul-saving gospel of Jesus be preached and applied in all its fulness and power.

Gen. 2:18. It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

Gen. 24:67. Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Gen. 25:28. Rebecca loved Jacob.

Gen. 33:5. Who are those with thee? And he said, The children which God hath graciously given thy servant.

Exod. 2:9. Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages.

Lev. 19:3. Ye shall fear every man his mother and his father.

Lev. 19:32. Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honor the face of the old man, and fear thy God.

Deut. 4:9. Teach thy sons and thy son's sons.

Deut. 6:7. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

Deut. 27:16. Cursed be he that setteth light by his father or his mother.

Ruth 1:16. Intreat me not to leave thee, or return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go, and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God.

I Sam. 1:24. She brought him unto the house of the Lord in Shiloh: and the child was young.

I Sam. 1:27, 28. For this child I prayed, and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of Him; therefore also I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth, he shall be lent to the Lord.

I Sam. 2:19. His mother made him a little coat, and brought it to him from year to year, when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice.

- I Sam. 8:13.** He will take your daughters to be confectionaries, and to be cooks, and to be bakers.
- I Ki. 3:26.** Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, O my Lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, but divide it.
- I Ki. 3:27.** Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it; she is the mother thereof.
- I Ki. 19:20.** Let me, I pray thee, kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow thee.
- Esther 1:17.** This deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported.
- Esther 2:17.** The king loved Esther above all the women, and she obtained grace and favor in his sight.
- Psalms 113:9.** He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.
- Psalms 128:3.** Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house; thy children like olive plants round about thy table.
- Prov. 6:20.** My son, forsake not the law of thy mother.
- Prov. 12:4.** A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband.
- Prov. 18:22.** Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favor of the Lord.
- Prov. 19:14.** A prudent wife is from the Lord.
- Prov. 23:22.** Despise not thy mother when she is old.
- Prov. 29:15.** A child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.
- Prov. 30:11.** There is a generation that curseth their father and doth not bless their mother.
- Prov. 30:17.** The eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.
- Prov. 31:10.** Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies.
- Prov. 31:27.** She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.
- Prov. 31:30.** A woman that feareth the Lord shall be praised.
- Isa. 8:18.** Behold, I and the children whom the Lord hath given me.
- Isa. 49:15.** Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb?

- Isa. 66:13.** As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you.
- Matt. 12:48.** Who is my mother?
- Matt. 13:33.** The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.
- Matt. 13:55.** Is not his mother called Mary?
- Matt. 14:8.** And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger.
- Matt. 15:4.** Honor thy father and mother.
- Matt. 27:19.** His wife sent unto him saying, have thou nothing to do with that just man.
- Luke 1:30.** Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found favor with God.
- Luke 2:37.** She was a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day.
- Luke 2:19.** Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.
- Luke 17:32.** Remember Lot's wife.
- John 19:25.** There stood by the cross of Jesus His mother.
- John 19:27.** Behold thy mother!
- Rom. 13:7.** Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.
- Rom. 16:13.** Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.
- I Cor. 11:7.** The woman is the glory of the man.
- II Cor. 12:14.** The children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.
- Eph. 6:2, 3.** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor thy father and mother, which is the first commandment with promise.
- I Tim. 5:2.** The elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all purity.
- I Tim. 5:3.** Honor widows that are widows indeed.
- I Tim. 5:14.** I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.
- II Tim. 1:5.** When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

Titus 2:4. That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children.

Heb. 2:13. Behold I and the children which God hath given me.

Heb. 10:24. Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works.

I Peter 3:1-6. Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; while they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even to the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands, even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with amazement.

D. Baccalaureate and Graduation

When a minister is called upon to preach a baccalaureate sermon or to address a graduating class he will find that even those who make no profession of religion will accept a gospel sermon on such an occasion. The preacher is wise, therefore, to make the most of his opportunity by preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ and urging it upon his listeners with wholehearted earnestness. The texts for such sermons will be more easily remembered when they are chosen with a special view to brevity, aptness, and force. The nature and the associations of the occasion will suggest fitting illustrations and proper application.

Deut. 4:5, 6. Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the Lord my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whether ye go to possess it. Keep therefore and do them.

Deut. 10:12, 13. What doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy

soul, to keep the commandments of the Lord, and His statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?

Deut. 12:13, 14. Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou seest, but in the place which the Lord shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.

Josh. 3:4. Ye have not passed this way heretofore.

I Sam. 2:30. Them that honor Me I will honor, and they that despise Me, shall be lightly esteemed.

II Sam 18:32. Is the young man Absalom safe?

I Ki. 20:40. And as thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone.

II Ki. 6:17. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw.

II Chron. 31:21. He did it with all his heart, and prospered.

Esther 4:14. And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

Psalm 32:8, 9. I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go; I will guide thee with Mine eye. Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no understanding, whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.

✓ **Psalm 34:10.** But they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.

Psalm 111:10. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Psalm 119:9. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to Thy word.

✓ **Psalm 119:105.** Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Psalm 127:3. Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord.

Prov. 1:7. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge.

Prov. 2:1-5. My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee; so that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding; yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; if thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God.

Prov. 3:1-4. My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments, for length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck, write them upon the table of thine heart:

so shalt thou find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

Prov. 4:13. Take fast hold of instruction, let her not go; keep her, for she is thy life.

Prov. 4:23. Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life.

Prov. 8:10, 11. Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold. For wisdom is better than rubies, and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

Prov. 10:14. Wise men lay up knowledge.

Prov. 12:1. Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge.

Prov. 15:32. He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul; but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding.

Prov. 16:16. How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!

Prov. 20:29. The glory of young men is their strength.

✓ Prov. 22:6. Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Prov. 23:23. Buy the truth and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

Prov. 23:26. My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.

Eccl. 9:10. Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.

Eccl. 11:6. In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.

Eccl. 11:9. Rejoice, O young men, in thy youth, and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.

Eccl. 12:1. Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.

Eccl. 12:13. Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

Isa. 40:30, 31. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles;

they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Isa. 45:11. Concerning my sons and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

Isa. 48:17, 18. I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go. O that thou hadst hearkened to My commandments! Then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea.

Jer. 9:23, 24. Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches; but let him that glorieth, glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth Me, that I am the Lord which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth, for in these things I delight, saith the Lord.

✓ **Hosea 7:8.** Ephraim is a cake not turned.

Hab. 2:3. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie; though it tarry, wait for it, because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

Matt. 16:26. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

Matt. 20:26-28. Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister, and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: even as the Son of man came not to be ministered to, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many.

Matt. 21:28. Son, go work today in my vineyard.

Luke 2:19. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

Luke 5:27. Follow Me.

Luke 9:62. No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

Luke 16:10. He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much.

Luke 19:13. Occupy till I come.

John 6:27. Labor not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you.

John 7:17. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of Myself.

- John 12:43.** For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.
- John 17:3.** And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.
- John 20:25.** The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe.
- Acts 8:20.** But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.
- Acts 9:6.** Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.
- Acts 26:19.** I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.
- Rom. 12:9.** Abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good.
- Rom. 12:17.** Provide things honest in the sight of all men.
- Rom. 13:10.** Love worketh no ill to his neighbor: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.
- Rom. 16:19.** I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.
- I Cor. 3:12, 13.** Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble, every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire, and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.
- I Cor. 12:31.** Covet earnestly the best gifts.
- II Cor. 8:5.** But first they gave their own selves to the Lord.
- II Cor. 9:6.** He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.
- Phil. 3:13, 14.** This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.
- Col. 3:2.** Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.
- II Tim. 2:3.** Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
- II Tim. 2:22.** Flee also youthful lusts, but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

II Tim. 3:15-17. That from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Titus 3:1. Be ready to every good work.

Heb. 2:13. Behold I and the children which God hath given me.

Heb. 13:8. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever.

Heb. 13:17. Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves, for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief, for that is unprofitable for you.

Heb. 13:21. The God of peace make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ.

II Peter 3:18. Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I John 5:5. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

II

TEXTS FOR

Festivals and Seasons



II

Texts for Festivals and Seasons

IN CHURCHES which do not follow the Church Year the choice of sermon texts for the major festivals and seasons is left to the preacher. The selection of free texts for such occasions is apt to be influenced more by the preacher's particular penchant or mood than by the central truths of the Scriptures upon which the Church Year is built. The suggestions offered in this section will make it easy to choose texts which carry out the idea of the Church Year, setting forth the life of Christ in the major festivals and seasons and portraying the life of the Christian in the nonfestival half.

I. Advent

Advent means coming. The purpose of the Advent season is to prepare for the coming of the Son of God. According to some, the four Sundays in Advent refer consecutively to His coming in the flesh, His coming in the Spirit, His coming into each believing heart, and His final coming in judgment. It is a general season of penitence and prayer. "Oh, how shall I receive Thee? How greet Thee, Lord, aright?"

- Gen. 3:15.** And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; and it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.
- Gen. 12:3.** And in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.
- Gen. 49:10.** The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh came; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.
- Gen. 49:18.** I have waited for Thy salvation, O Lord.
- Deut. 18:15.** The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto Him shall ye hearken.
- Deut. 18:18.** I will raise them up a prophet from among thy brethren, like unto thee, and will put My words in His mouth; and He shall speak unto them all that I shall command Him.
- II Sam. 7:12, 13.** And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build an house for My name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.
- Psalms 2:12.** Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and ye perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him.
- Psalms 13:6.** I will sing unto the Lord, because He hath dealt bountifully with me.
- Psalms 14:7.** Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! when the Lord bringeth back the captivity of His people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.
- Psalms 24:7-10.** Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory.
- Psalms 25:1-3.** Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. O my God, I trust in Thee; let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me. Yea, let none that wait on Thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.
- Psalms 40:7, 8.** Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of Me, I delight to do Thy will, O My God.
- Psalms 42:2.** My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?

Psalm 50:2, 3. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined. Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence.

Psalm 62:1. Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from Him cometh my salvation.

Psalm 68:4. Sing unto God, sing praises to His name: extol Him that rideth upon the heavens by His name JAH, and rejoice before Him.

Psalm 84:10. For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Psalm 93:1, 2. The Lord reigneth, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself: the world also is stablished that it cannot be moved. Thy throne is established of old: Thou art from everlasting.

Psalm 95:6-8. O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand. Today, if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

Psalm 100. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord, He is God: it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

Psalm 118:25, 26. Save now, I beseech Thee, O Lord! O Lord, I beseech Thee, send now prosperity. Blessed be He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Psalm 145:13. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.

Isa. 2:2-4. And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation

shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Isa. 9:6, 7. For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

Isa. 21:11. Watchman, what of the night? The watchman said, The morning cometh and also the night: if ye will enquire, enquire ye: return, come.

Isa. 40:9-11. O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God! Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and His arm shall rule for Him: behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before him. He shall feed His flock like a shepherd: He shall gather the lambs with His arms, and carry them in His bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

Isa. 42:1-4. Behold My servant, whom I uphold; Mine elect, in whom My soul delighteth; I have put My spirit upon Him: He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall He not break, and the smoking flax shall He not quench: He shall bring forth judgment unto truth. He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till He have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for His law.

Isa. 46:13. I bring near My righteousness; it shall not be far off, and My salvation shall not tarry: and I will place salvation in Zion for Israel My glory.

Isa. 52:7. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

Isa. 55:3, 4. Incline your ear, and come unto Me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David. Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.

- Isa. 56:1.** Thus saith the Lord, Keep ye judgments, and do justice: for My salvation is near to come, and My righteousness to be revealed.
- Isa. 57:15, 16.** For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth.
- Isa. 60:1.** Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.
- Isa. 61:1-3.** The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me; because the Lord hath anointed Me to preach good tidings unto the meek; He hath sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; to appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified.
- Isa. 62:11, 12.** Behold, the Lord hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him. And they shall call them the holy people, the redeemed of the Lord; and thou shalt be called, sought out, a city not forsaken.
- Jer. 23:5, 6.** Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is His name whereby He shall be called, the Lord our righteousness.
- Zech. 2:10, 11.** Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord. And many nations shall be joined to the Lord in that day, and shall be My people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the Lord of hosts hath sent me unto thee.
- Zech. 6:12.** Thus speaketh the Lord of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is the Branch; and He shall grow up out of His place, and He shall build the temple of the Lord.

Zech. 13:1. In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness.

Zech. 14:9. And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and His name one.

3 Sun. Advent **Mal. 3:1.** Behold, I will send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His temple, even the messenger of His covenant whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.

Matt. 3:2. Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Matt. 4:23. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

Matt. 6:10. Thy kingdom come.

Matt. 7:21. Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven.

Matt. 9:13. I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Matt. 11:28, 29. Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

Matt. 20:28. The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many.

Matt. 26:64. Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

Matt. 28:20. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Mark 13:24-27. But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. And then shall He send His angels, and shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

Luke 6:46. And why call ye Me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

Luke 9:26. For whosoever shall be ashamed of Me and of My words of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when He shall come in His own glory, and in His Father's, and of the holy angels.

Luke 18:8. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?

John 4:24. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

John 4:42. We have heard Him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world.

John 5:39. Search the Scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me.

John 6:14. This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

John 6:68, 69. Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that Thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

John 7:16, 17. My doctrine is not Mine, but His that sent Me. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of Myself.

John 8:12. I am the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

John 8:36. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

John 12:35. Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.

John 12:46. I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on Me should not abide in darkness.

John 14:6. I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me.

John 14:11. Believe Me that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me: or else believe Me for the very works' sake.

John 18:36, 37. My kingdom is not of this world: if My kingdom were of this world, then would My servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is My kingdom not from hence. Pilate therefore said unto Him, Art Thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Everyone that is of the truth, heareth My voice.

Acts 16:31. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

- Rom. 1:16.** For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.
- Rom. 10:4.** Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.
- Rom. 11:25, 26.** For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, there shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob.
- II Cor. 6:2.** Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.
- Phil. 3:20.** For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Col. 3:16.** Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.
- II Thess. 2:17.** Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.
- I Tim. 1:15.** This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
- I Tim. 2:4.** Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.
- I Tim. 6:14, 15.** Keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: which in His times He shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords.
- I Peter 1:10.** Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you.
- II Peter 3:18.** But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
- I John 4:9.** In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.
- Rev. 3:20.** Behold, I stand at the door and knock.
- Rev. 21:1-4.** And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for

her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Rev. 22:12. And, behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

Rev. 22:17. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst, come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

Rev. 22:20. He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly.

Rev. 22:21. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

2. Christmas

The early church made no special provision for the celebration of the nativity of our Lord. It was not until the middle of the fourth century that Christmas came to be accepted as a Christian festival. Now, even those churches which do not follow the Church Year are unable to ignore it. The story of God's great Gift to men, the spirit of peace and loving friendship should find full expression from the pulpit.

Psalm 2:7. Thou art My Son; this day have I begotten Thee.

Psalm 8:4. What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that Thou visitest him?

Psalm 72:18, 19. Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things. And blessed be His glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with His glory; Amen, and Amen.

Psalm 118:24. This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Isa. 11:1-5. The Branch out of the root of Jesse.

Matt. 18:11. The Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

- John 3:16.** God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
- John 3:36.** He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.
- John 6:51.** I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever.
- John 10:10.** I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.
- John 12:46.** I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on Me should not abide in darkness.
- John 17:3.** And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.
- John 21:17.** Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee.
- Rom. 5:1.** Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Rom. 6:23.** For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Rom. 8:37-39.** In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- II Cor. 8:9.** For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich.
- II Cor. 9:15.** Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift.
- Gal. 4:4, 5.** When the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.
- Phil. 2:7.** He took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men.
- Phil. 4:4.** Rejoice in the Lord alway; and again I say, rejoice. The Lord is at hand.
- Col. 1:12, 13.** Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: who

hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son.

I Tim. 1:15. This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Tim. 2:5. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.

Heb. 2:16, 17. For verily He took not on Him the nature of angels; but He took on Him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore in all things it behooved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.

Heb. 13:8. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever.

I Peter 2:6. Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.

I John 4:9. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.

I John 4:11. If God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

I John 4:14. We have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Savior of the world.

I John 4:19. We love Him because He first loved us.

3. New Year

New Year is properly a part of the Christmas cycle. Although the church takes note of the passing of time and the beginning of a new calendar year, the day derives its significance in the Church Year from the act of circumcision by which the divine gift of God's Son was formally put under the law and given a new name. "Given a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow," Phil. 2:9, 10.

Gen. 32:10. I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which Thou hast showed unto Thy servant.

Gen. 47:9. Few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

- Exod. 33:14.** My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.
- Deut. 31:6.** Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them; for the Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.
- Deut. 32:7.** Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations; ask thy father, and he will show thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee.
- I Sam. 7:12.** Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.
- II Sam. 7:18.** Who am I, O Lord God? And what is my house, that Thou hast brought me hitherto?
- I Ki. 8:57, 58.** The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers; let Him not leave us, nor forsake us; that He may incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and His statutes, and His judgments, which He commanded our fathers.
- I Chron. 29:15.** For we are strangers before Thee, and sojourners, as were all our fathers: our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding.
- Job 10:12.** Thou hast granted me life and favor, and Thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.
- Psalms 5:11, 12.** But let all those that put their trust in Thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because Thou defendest them: let them also that love Thy name be joyful in Thee. For Thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favor wilt Thou compass him as with a shield.
- Psalms 25:10.** All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep His covenant and His testimonies.
- Psalms 27:14.** Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.
- Psalms 31:14, 15.** But I trusted in Thee, O Lord: I said, Thou art my God. My times are in Thy hand.
- Psalms 33:22.** Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee.
- Psalms 37:4, 5.** Delight thyself also in the Lord; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord: trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.
- Psalms 39:12.** I am a stranger with Thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.
- Psalms 73:23, 24.** I am continually with Thee: Thou hast holden me by my right hand. Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

Psalm 102:25-28. Of old hast Thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of Thy hands. They shall perish, but Thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt Thou change them, and they shall be changed: but Thou art the same, and Thy years shall have no end.

Psalm 103:15, 16. As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

Psalm 103:17, 18. But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children; to such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them.

Psalm 115:12, 13. The Lord hath been mindful of us: He will bless us; He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great.

Psalm 116:12. What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me?

Psalm 119:174, 175. I have longed for Thy salvation, O Lord; and Thy law is my delight. Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let Thy judgments help me.

Psalm 139:23, 24. Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalm 144:15. Happy is that people whose God is the Lord.

Psalm 146:5, 6. Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help; whose hope is in the Lord his God, which made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is: which keepeth truth for ever.

Eccl. 1:4. One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh; but the earth abideth for ever.

Eccl. 1:9, 10. The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun. Is there anything whereof it may be said, See, this is new? It hath been already of old time, which was before us.

Eccl. 11:8. But if a man live many years, and rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many. All that cometh is vanity.

Eccl. 12:13, 14. Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter; Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

- Isa. 30:21.** And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, this is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.
- Isa. 40:29-31.** He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall. But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.
- Isa. 63:16.** Thou, O Lord, art our father, our redeemer; Thy name is from everlasting.
- Jer. 6:16.** Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls.
- Lam. 3:22-24.** It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is Thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in Him.
- Lam. 3:40.** Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the Lord.
- Dan. 2:20, 21.** Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are His: and He changeth the times and the seasons: He removeth kings and setteth up kings: He giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding.
- Matt. 6:33.** Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.
- Matt. 16:2, 3.** When it is evening, ye say, it will be fair weather, for the sky is red. And in the morning, it will be foul weather today, for the sky is red and lowring. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky, but can ye not discern the signs of the times?
- Matt. 28:20.** I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.
- Luke 12:20, 21.** Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.
- Luke 12:22-24.** Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on; the life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment. Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them. How much more are ye better than the fowls?

Luke 12:37. Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that He shall gird Himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

Luke 24:29. Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent.

John 9:4. I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

Acts 4:12. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Acts 17:28. For in Him we live and move and have our being.

Rom. 12:11, 12. Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer.

I Cor. 7:31. They that use this world, as not abusing it: for the fashion of this world passeth away.

I Cor. 16:13. Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.

Gal. 6:9. Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Eph. 5:15, 16. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Col. 3:17. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

I Thess. 5:6. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

I Tim. 2:1, 2. I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

I Tim. 4:8. Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

II Tim. 2:19. Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, the Lord knoweth them that are His. And, let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

Heb. 13:14. For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

Heb. 13:20, 21. Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through

the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

I Peter 5:7. Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you.

II Peter 3:8, 9. But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

I John 2:17. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Jude 24, 25. Now unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever.

Rev. 1:8. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Rev. 2:10. Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

Rev. 21:7. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be My son.

4. Epiphany

The Epiphany of our Lord, like Christmas, is one of the immovable festivals, celebrated on a fixed date, January 6. It was first observed in commemoration of the baptism of our Lord. In some parts of the ancient church the birth of Christ was also celebrated on that day. The festival and its season of varying length show forth the glory of Him who has come, born a babe in Bethlehem, and how this glory must shine also through the members of His kingdom so

that men may see their good works and glorify their Father in heaven.

Psalm 86:9, 10. All nations whom Thou hast made shall come and worship before Thee, O Lord; and shall glorify Thy name. For Thou art great, and doest wondrous things; Thou art God alone.

Isa. 9:2. The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

Isa. 40:3-5. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain; and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Isa. 55:5. Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the Lord thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for He hath glorified thee.

Jer. 16:19-21. The Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit. Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods? Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know My hand and My might; and they shall know that My name is the Lord.

Zeph. 3:9. For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may call upon the name of the Lord, to serve Him with one consent.

Hag. 2:6, 7. For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; and I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts.

Zech. 9:10. He shall speak peace unto the heathen; and His dominion shall be from sea even to sea, and from the river even unto the ends of the earth.

Mark 1:15. The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye and believe the gospel.

Luke 1:78, 79. Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 2:29-32. Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word: for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Luke 3:6. And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Luke 10:22. All things are delivered to Me of My Father; and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal Him.

Luke 10:24. Many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.

Acts 2:39. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Acts 13:46, 47. It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you; but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles. For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

Acts 17:30, 31. And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent; because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom He hath ordained; whereof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised Him from the dead.

Rom. 9:24-26. Even us, whom He hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles. As He saith also in Hosea, I will call them My people, which were not My people; and her beloved, which was not beloved. And it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, ye are not My people; there they shall be called the children of the living God.

Rom. 10:12. There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek; for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him.

Rom. 10:20. But Esaias is very bold and saith, I was found of them that sought Me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after Me.

Col. 1:24-29. Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for His body's sake, which is the church; whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfill the word of God; even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to His saints; to whom God would make known what is the riches of His glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory; whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus; whereunto I also labor, striving according to His working, which worketh in me mightily.

I Tim. 2:4-6. Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of all truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

Titus 2:11. For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.

Rev. 7:9, 10. After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God, which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

5. Lent

Lent is the season of the Church Year devoted to the special consideration of our Savior's Passion and the events which brought about His crucifixion and death. Originally the forty hours between the death and the resurrection of our Savior were observed as a period of fasting and mourning. Later the hours were lengthened to days and their number set at forty, determined, no doubt, by the duration of the fasts of Moses, Elias, and of our Lord in the wilderness. Sundays, however, were never included, so this period is still exactly forty days in length.

The dominant purpose of the Lenten season is to direct the hearts and the minds of the worshipers to Him who was

lifted up that He might draw all men unto Himself. During this season the preacher has the very finest opportunity to present the saving value of Christ's suffering and thus inculcate a profound knowledge of sin, a grateful appropriation of the blessed fruits of the Savior's work, a more earnest denial of self, and a consecrated surrender to Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Gen. 3:15. And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; and it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Gen. 22:17, 18. That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gates of his enemies; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed My voice.

Exod. 12:1-14. The Passover instituted.

Psaln 22:1. My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?

Psaln 40:8. I delight to do Thy will, O my God; yea, Thy law is written in my heart.

Psaln 43:1. Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation; deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man.

Psaln 40:7, 8. None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him; for the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever.

Isa. 43:24, 25. Thou hast made Me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied Me with thine iniquities. I, even I, am He that blotteth out thy transgressions for Mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

Isa. 50:6. I gave My back to the smiters, and My cheeks to them that plucked off the hair; I hid not My face from shame and spitting.

Isa. 53. The Suffering Servant of God.

Micah 7:18. Who is a God like unto Thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of His inheritance? He retaineth not His anger for ever because He delighteth in mercy.

Zech. 13:1. In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness.

- Matt. 16:21.** From that time forth began Jesus to show unto His disciples, how that He must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.
- Matt. 20:28.** The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many.
- Luke 4:18, 19.** The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He hath anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.
- Luke 18:31-34.** Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished. For He shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on. And they shall scourge Him and put Him to death; and the third day He shall rise again. And they understood none of these things; and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.
- Luke 22:15, 16.** And He said unto them, with desire have I desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer; for I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.
- Luke 22:19, 20.** And He took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, this is My body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of Me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you.
- Luke 22:42.** Father, if Thou be willing, remove this cup from Me; nevertheless, not My will, but Thine, be done.
- Luke 24:26.** Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into His glory?
- John 1:29.** Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.
- John 3:14, 15.** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up; that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.
- John 5:17, 18.** My father worketh hitherto, and I work. Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill Him, because He not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.

John 6:51. I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any man shall eat of this bread, he shall live for ever; and the bread that I will give is My flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.

John 9:39-41. And Jesus said, for judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind. And some of the Pharisees which were with Him heard these words, and said unto Him, are we blind also? Jesus said unto them, if ye were blind, ye should have no sin; but now ye say, we see; therefore your sin remaineth.

John 10:11. I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd giveth His life for the sheep.

John 10:17, 18. Therefore doth My Father love Me, because I lay down My life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of My Father.

John 10:27, 28. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.

John 11:53. Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put Him to death.

John 12:7, 8. Against the day of My burying hath she kept this. For the poor always ye have with you; but Me ye have not always.

John 12:23, 24. The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.

John 15:13. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

John 17:4. I have glorified Thee on the earth; I have finished the work which Thou gavest Me to do.

John 18:11. The cup which My Father hath given Me, shall I not drink it?

John 19:30. It is finished.

Acts 2:22, 23. Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by Him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain.

Acts 3:18, 19. But those things, which God before had showed by the mouth of all His prophets, that Christ should suffer, He hath fulfilled. Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.

Acts 4:27, 28. For of a truth against Thy holy child Jesus, whom Thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, for to do whatsoever Thy hand and Thy counsel determined before to be done.

Rom. 3:24, 25. Being justified freely by His grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God.

Rom. 4:25. Jesus was delivered for our offences.

Rom. 5:6. When we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

Rom. 5:8, 9. God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

Rom. 5:11. We joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

Rom. 5:18, 19. Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.

Rom. 6:2, 3. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer herein? Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death?

Rom. 8:31, 32. What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

I Cor. 1:18. The preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

I Cor. 1:23, 24. We preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness: but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

- I Cor. 1:30.** Christ Jesus who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.
- I Cor. 2:2.** For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.
- I Cor. 2:7, 8.** We speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory; which none of the princes of this world knew; for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.
- I Cor. 6:20.** For ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.
- I Cor. 15:3, 4.** For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; and that He was buried, and that He arose again the third day according to the Scriptures.
- II Cor. 5:15.** He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.
- II Cor. 5:19.** God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.
- II Cor. 5:20.** Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.
- II Cor. 5:21.** For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.
- Gal. 1:4.** Who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father.
- Gal. 2:20.** I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless, I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me.
- Gal. 3:13.** Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us; for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree.
- Gal. 5:24.** They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
- Gal 6:14.** But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

Eph. 1:7. In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.

Eph. 2:14. For He is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us.

Eph. 5:2. And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savor.

Phil. 2:8. He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Col. 1:19, 20. It pleased the Father that in Him should all fulness dwell; and, having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself.

Col. 1:21, 22. And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath He reconciled, in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in His sight.

Col. 2:14. He has blotted out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross.

I Tim. 2:5, 6. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

I Tim. 6:13, 14. I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession; that thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

II Tim. 2:11. It is faithful saying; for if we be dead with Him, we shall also live with Him.

Titus 2:14. Jesus Christ gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Heb. 2:14, 15. Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same; that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Heb. 2:17, 18. In all things it behoved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of

the people. For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succor them that are tempted.

Heb. 4:14-16. Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which can not be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Heb. 5:8, 9. Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered; and being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him.

Heb. 9:28. So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

Heb. 10:14. For by one offering He hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Heb. 12:2. Look unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Heb. 13:12, 13. Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach.

I Peter 2:21-23. For even hereunto were ye called; because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps; who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth; who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not; but committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously.

I Peter 2:24, 25. Christ Himself bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

I Peter 3:18. Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.

I John 1:7. The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.

I John 2:1, 2. If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He is the propitiation for our sins; and not for our's only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

I John 3:5. We know that He was manifested to take away our sins; and in Him is no sin.

I John 3:16. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

I John 4:10. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

I John 4:11. If God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

I John 4:19. We love Him, because He first loved us.

Rev. 1:5, 6. He loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father.

Rev. 5:12. Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.

Rev. 7:14, 15. These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple.

6. Easter

Easter, the festival of the resurrection of our Lord, is the climax of the Church Year. The English *Easter* and the German equivalent, *Ostern*, are derived from the name of the pagan goddess of spring, *Ostera*. The significance of the season of awakening and the idea of sunrise are readily seen in the English name of the festival.

It is in the light of the Passion season that the true significance of Easter becomes apparent. The resurrection of our Lord is the divine seal upon His redemptive work. It constitutes positive proof of His deity. The Holy Scriptures offer many excellent texts on the basis of which the preacher can emphasize the victorious fact of the Savior's resurrection and its saving value, summoning his hearers to a renewal of life in the power of that resurrection.

Gen. 32:30. I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.

Job 19:25-27. I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though after my skin worms

destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God, whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another.

Psalm 16:8-11. I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth; my flesh also shall rest in hope. For Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption. Thou wilt show me the path of life; in Thy presence is fulness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Psalm 107:14. The Lord brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.

Isa. 25:8. He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces.

Isa. 26:19. Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust; for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

Isa. 28:29. The Lord is wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working.

Isa. 52:7. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth.

Isa. 53:10. The Lord shall prosper His days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand.

Ezek. 37:12. Behold, O My people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

Dan. 12:2. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

Hosea 13:14. I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death; O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction.

Matt. 22:32. God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

Mark 9:10. And they kept that saying with themselves, questioning one with another what the rising from the dead should mean.

Luke 24:26. Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into His glory?

Luke 24:46. Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day.

John 2:19. Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

John 5:25. The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and they that hear shall live.

John 5:28, 29. The hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

John 6:40. And this is the will of Him that sent Me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life. And I will raise him up at the last day.

John 10:18. I have power to lay down My life, and I have power to take it again.

John 11:25, 26. I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.

John 14:19. Because I live, ye shall live also.

John 16:33. Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

John 17:24. Father, I will that they also, whom Thou hast given Me, be with Me where I am; that they may behold My glory, which Thou hast given Me; for Thou lovedst Me before the foundation of the world.

Acts 2:32. Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

Acts 2:36. God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Acts 3:15. Ye killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

Acts 5:30, 31. The God of our Fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

Acts 13:37-39. But He, whom God raised again, saw no corruption. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins; and by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

Acts 24:15. I have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

Rom. 4:25. Jesus our Lord was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.

- Rom. 5:10.** If, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.
- Rom. 6:4.** We are buried with Him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
- Rom. 8:11.** But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.
- Rom. 8:31-34.** If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yet rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.
- Rom. 10:9.** If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
- Rom. 14:8, 9.** For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord; whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ both died and rose, and revived, that He might be Lord both of the dead and living.
- I Cor. 6:14.** And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by His own power.
- I Cor. 15:13, 14.** If there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen. And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain.
- I Cor. 15:20, 21.** Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
- I Cor. 15:55-57.** O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- II Cor. 4:14.** We know that He which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.
- II Cor. 5:1.** For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

- II Cor. 5:15.** And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.
- Phil. 2:9-11.** Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
- Phil. 3:20, 21.** For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself.
- Col. 3:1, 2.** If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth.
- I Thess. 4:14.** For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.
- I Thess. 5:9, 10.** For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.
- II Tim. 1:10.** Jesus Christ hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.
- II Tim. 2:11.** It is a faithful saying: for if we be dead with Him, we shall also live with Him.
- Heb. 5:9.** And being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him.
- Heb. 12:2.** Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.
- Heb. 13:20, 21.** Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- I John 3:2.** Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is.

- I John 5:4. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.
- I John 5:11, 12. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.
- Rev. 1:4, 5. Grace be unto you and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before His throne; and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.
- Rev. 1:17, 18. Fear not, I am the first and the last; I am He that liveth and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and death.
- Rev. 2:10. Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.
- Rev. 2:11. He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.
- Rev. 3:5. He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before My Father, and before His angels.

7. Ascension

The festival of the Ascension of our Lord was not observed in the early church until near the close of the fourth century. Then, as now, the festival was properly associated with the resurrection of our Lord and was celebrated forty days after Easter. The transcendent importance of the event which this festival celebrates is patent and should be brought to full expression in the sermon. In many quarters the festival is no longer observed as a special day. Wherever this is the case, it would be well to preach an Ascension Day sermon on the Sunday nearest the day.

- I Ki. 8:27. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee.

Job 16:19. Behold, my witness is in heaven, and my record is on high.

Psalm 47:5-8. God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises unto our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding. God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness.

Psalm 93:1. The Lord reigneth, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself; the world also is established that it cannot be moved.

Dan. 7:13, 14. I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought Him near before Him. And there was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Matt. 6:20, 21. Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. For where your treasure is there will your heart be also.

Matt. 11:27. All things are delivered unto Me of My Father.

Matt. 26:64. Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

Matt. 28:18. All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth.

Matt. 28:20. Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Luke 24:50-53. And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while He blessed them, He was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. And they worshipped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

John 3:13. And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

John 12:32. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me.

John 14:2. In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

John 14:28. I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved Me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father. For My Father is greater than I.

- John 16:7.** Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is expedient for you that I go away.
- John 16:28.** I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.
- John 17:5.** And now, O Father, glorify Thou Me with Thine own self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was.
- John 17:24.** Father, I will that they also, whom Thou hast given Me, be with Me where I am; that they may behold My glory, which Thou hast given Me: for Thou lovedst Me before the foundation of the world.
- John 20:17.** Touch Me not; for I am not yet ascended to My Father: but go to My brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto My Father, and your Father; and to My God, and your God.
- Acts 5:30, 31.** The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.
- Acts 7:55.** But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.
- Rom. 8:16, 17.** The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.
- Rom. 8:34.** Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.
- I Cor. 15:25-28.** For He must reign, till He hath put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For He hath put all things under His feet. But when He saith all things are put under Him, it is manifest that He is excepted, which did put all things under Him. And when all things shall be subdued unto Him, then shall the Son also Himself be subject unto Him that put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.
- II Cor. 4:17, 18.** For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.
- Eph. 1:17-23.** That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in

the knowledge of Him: the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power, which He wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead, and set Him at His own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: and He hath put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be the head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all.

Eph. 2:6. And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

Eph. 4:8-10. When He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. Now that He ascended, what is it but that He also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things.

Phil. 2:9-11. God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Phil. 3:20, 21. For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself.

I Tim. 3:16. And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

Heb. 1:3. Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Heb. 2:9. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that He by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

Heb. 4:14-16. Seeing then that we have a great high priest that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast

our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities: but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Heb. 7:25. Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Heb. 9:24. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us.

Heb. 12:2. Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Rev. 1:12-18. I saw seven golden candlesticks and in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; and his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me: Fear not, I am the first and the last; I am he that liveth and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

Rev. 3:21. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with My Father in His throne.

Rev. 5:5. And one of the elders saith unto me: Weep not, behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

Rev. 5:13. Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

8. Pentecost

The festival of Pentecost is one of the two earliest festivals of the church. The name *Pentecost* came into Chris-

tian use from Jewish circles. The Jews observed it as a joyous thanksgiving for the completed harvest and as the anniversary of the giving of the law on Mount Sinai, therefore the institution of the Jewish Church. The Christian festival is observed in commemoration of the founding of the Christian Church which occurred on the first Pentecost after the resurrection of the Lord, bringing upon His disciples the first-fruits of His exaltation and rewriting the law on the tables of believers' hearts.

A field, rich with counsel and comfort, is open to the preacher on this day. The coming of the Holy Spirit—"The Lord and Giver of Life"—His person and His work; His relation to Christ and the Father—"Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets"—; and the relation of believers to Him, will all find full expression in the sermon.

The name *Whitsunday*, frequently applied to Pentecost, is derived from the custom in the early church of having the candidates for holy baptism dress in white robes. The day is properly utilized for holy baptism and confirmation.

Num. 11:29. Would God that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put His Spirit upon them.

Psalms 51:10-12. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

Psalms 143:10. Teach me to do Thy will; for Thou art my God. Thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

Isa. 44:3. For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My spirit upon thy seed, and My blessing upon thine offspring.

Isa. 48:17. I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.

Jer. 31:33, 34. After these days, saith the Lord, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be My people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, know the Lord; for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

Ezek. 36:27. And I will put My spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments, and do them.

Joel 2:28. And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out My spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.

Zech. 12:10. And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplication; and they shall look upon Me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for Him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

Matt. 3:16, 17. And lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him; and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Matt. 10:20. It is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.

Matt. 12:31, 32. All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men; but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men. And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come.

Mark 1:8. I indeed have baptized you with water, but He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.

Luke 11:13. If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?

Luke 12:12. For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

John 1:12, 13. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His

name; which were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

John 3:3. Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

John 3:6. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

John 3:7. Marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again.

John 4:24. God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

John 15:26. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He shall testify of Me.

John 16:7-11. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you. And when He is come, He will reprove the world of sin and of righteousness and of judgment; of sin, because they believe not on Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father, and ye see Me no more; of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

John 16:13, 14. When the Spirit of truth is come, He will guide you into all truth, for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak; and He will show you things to come. He shall glorify Me, for He shall receive of Mine, and shall show it unto you.

Acts 2:21. Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Acts 2:47. The Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

Rom. 5:5. The love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Rom. 8:9. If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.

Rom. 8:13. If ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

Rom. 8:14-16. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God.

Rom. 8:26. Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities; for we know not what we should pray for as we ought; but the Spirit

itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Rom. 14:17. The kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

I Cor. 2:10. The Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

I Cor. 2:11. The things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

I Cor. 2:14. The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

I Cor. 3:16, 17. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

I Cor. 6:11. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

I Cor. 6:20. Ye are bought with a price. Therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

I Cor. 12:3. No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

I Cor. 12:4. There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

II Cor. 3:17. Now the Lord is that Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Gal. 4:6. God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

Gal. 5:16. Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

Gal. 5:22. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.

Gal. 5:25. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Eph. 1:14. The Holy Spirit is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of His glory.

Eph. 1:17-19. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him; the eyes of your understanding being enlightened, that ye may know what is the hope of His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power.

Eph. 4:30. Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

- II Tim. 1:7. God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.
- Heb. 2:3, 4. How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him, God also bearing witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to His own will?
- Heb. 3:7, 8. The Holy Ghost saith, Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts.
- Heb. 12:14. Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.
- James 1:18. Of His own will begat He us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of His creatures.
- James 3:17. The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and hypocrisy.
- I Peter 1:23. Ye are born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.
- I John 2:20. Ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.
- I John 4:13. Hereby know we that we dwell in Him, and He in us, because He hath given us of His Spirit.
- Rev. 2:7. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

9. Trinity

The festival of the Holy Trinity, which climaxes the festival half of the Church Year, celebrates not only a fact but also a doctrine. Although it was introduced in the Church Year as early as 1305, it was not until the year 1334 that a day in honor of the Holy Trinity came to be universally observed.

The festival half of the Church Year, sometimes called the *half year of the Lord*, commemorates the great acts of our Lord on our behalf—"Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man"—

Christmas — “And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures” — the cross and Easter and then the gift of the Spirit. With all this as a background, Trinity Sunday at the close of the festival half of the Church Year might well be used to present a resume of the wonderful works of the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Psalm 8:1. O Lord our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth! who hast set Thy glory above the heavens.

Matt. 3:16, 17. And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water, and lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him, and lo, a voice from heaven, saying, This is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.

Matt. 11:25, 26. Jesus answered and said, I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and has revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Thy sight.

John 14:16, 17. I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

John 14:23. If a man love Me, he will keep My words, and My Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

John 15:26. When the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of Truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He shall testify of Me.

Acts 2:38, 39. Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

I Cor. 8:6. But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by Him.

- I Cor. 12:11, 12.** All these things worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will. For as the body is one and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ.
- I Cor. 13:12.** Now we see through a glass, darkly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then shall I know even as I am known.
- Eph. 4:4-7.** There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.
- Titus 3:4-7.** But after that the kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, that being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
- I Peter 1:2.** Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: grace unto you and peace, be multiplied.
- I John 4:13, 14.** Hereby know we that we dwell in Him, and He in us because He hath given us of His Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Savior of the world.
- Rev. 1:4-6.** Grace be unto you, and peace, from Him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before His throne; and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

10. Reformation

A special day in commemoration of the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth century was observed as early as 1617. It was not until some two hundred years later that

the observance became general in the Lutheran Church. The festival occupies a proper place in the Church Year.

The preacher will do well to give glory to God by whose providence the Reformation became a reality. The blessings of the Reformation, the open Bible, the rediscovered gospel, and the right of private judgment, the freedom of speech, and all that they include ought to be set forth in the sermon. The historical facts should be stated correctly and as simply as possible and so make the most of the opportunity to edify and quicken the souls of those who come to hear.

Gen. 1:3, 4. And God said, let there be light; and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good.

Exod. 14:13, 14. Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord, which He will show to you today. The Lord shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

Exod. 19:5, 6. If ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people, for all the earth is Mine. And ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation.

Deut. 6:6, 7. These words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart, and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

Josh. 1:8. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein; for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

I Ki. 8:57, 58. The Lord our God be with us, as He was with our fathers; let Him not leave us nor forsake us, that He may incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and His statutes, and His judgments, which He commanded our fathers.

I Ki. 18:21. How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow Him; but if Baal, then follow him.

II Ki. 22:8-13. Hilkiash finds the book of the law.

II Ki. 23:1-3. And the king sent, and they gathered unto him all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem. And the king went up into the house of the Lord, and all the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests and the prophets and all the people, both small and great, and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant which was found in the house of the Lord. And the king stood by a pillar and made a covenant before the Lord, to walk after the Lord and to keep His commandments and His testimonies and His statutes with all their heart and with all their soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people stood to the covenant.

Neh. 1:10, 11. These are Thy servants and Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed by Thy great power, and by Thy strong hand. O Lord, I beseech Thee, let now Thine ear be attentive to the prayer of Thy servant, and to the prayer of Thy servants, who desire to fear Thy name; and prosper, I pray Thee, Thy servant this day, and grant him mercy.

Neh. 8:10. The joy of the Lord is your strength.

Psalms 12:2. Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth, for the faithful fail from among the children of men.

Psalms 48:11-14. Let Mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of Thy judgments. Walk about Zion, and go round about her; tell the towers thereof. Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces, that ye may tell it to the generations following. For this God is our God for ever and ever. He will be our guide even unto death.

Psalms 68:11. The Lord gave the word, great was the company of those that published it.

Psalms 77:11, 12. I will remember the works of the Lord. Surely I will remember Thy wonders of old. I will meditate also of all Thy work, and talk of Thy doings.

Psalms 78:4-7. We will not hide them from their children, showing to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and His strength, and His wonderful works that He hath done. For He established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which He commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children, that the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children; that they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandments.

Psalms 87:1-3. His foundation is in the holy mountains. The Lord loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings in Jacob. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

Psalms 93:5. Thy testimonies are very sure; holiness becometh Thine house, O Lord, for ever.

Psalms 106:1-5. Praise ye the Lord. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endureth for ever. Who can utter the mighty acts of the Lord? Who can show forth all His praise? Blessed are they that keep judgment, and he that doeth righteousness at all times. Remember me, O Lord, with the favor that Thou bearest unto Thy people. O visit me with Thy salvation, that I may see the good of Thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of Thy nation, that I may glory with Thine inheritance.

Psalms 111:1-4. Praise ye the Lord. I will praise the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation. The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein. His work is honorable and glorious, and His righteousness endureth for ever. He hath made His wonderful works to be remembered. The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

Psalms 119:33. Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

Psalms 119:52. I remembered Thy judgments of old, O Lord, and have comforted myself.

Psalms 119:105. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Psalms 119:126. It is time for Thee, Lord, to work, for they have made void Thy law.

Psalms 119:130. The entrance of Thy words giveth light. It giveth understanding unto the simple.

Psalms 126:3. The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.

Proverbs 4:20-22. My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.

Proverbs 10:7. The memory of the just is blessed, but the name of the wicked shall rot.

Proverbs 22:28. Remove not the ancient landmark which thy fathers have set.

- Isa. 28:29.** This also cometh forth from the Lord of hosts, which is wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working.
- Isa. 29:28, 19.** And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness. The meek also shall increase their joy in the Lord, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.
- Isa. 40:8.** The word of our God shall stand for ever.
- Isa. 54:17.** No weapon that is formed against Thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against Thee in judgment Thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of Me, saith the Lord.
- Isa. 63:7.** I will mention the lovingkindness of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which He hath bestowed on them, according to His mercies, and according to the multitude of His lovingkindnesses.
- Jer. 15:16.** Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart, for I am called by Thy name, O Lord God of hosts.
- Jer. 22:29.** O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord.
- Jer. 23:29.** Is not My word like as a fire, saith the Lord, and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?
- Amos 8:11.** Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord.
- Micah 7:7, 8.** Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation. My God will hear me. Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy. When I fall, I shall arise. When I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me.
- Micah 7:11.** In the day that thy walls are to be built, in that day shall the decree be far removed.
- Hab. 2:1-4.** I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will watch to see what He will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reproved. And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie. Though it tarry, wait for it, because it will surely come. It will not tarry. Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him, but the just shall live by his faith.

- Matt. 4:16.** The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.
- Matt. 5:6.** Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.
- Matt. 5:16.** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
- Matt. 6:19-21.** Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.
- Matt. 10:32.** Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven.
- Matt. 10:34-39.** Think not that I am come to send peace on earth. I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household. He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me, and he that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after Me, is not worthy of Me. He that findeth his life shall lose it, and he that loseth his life for My sake shall find it.
- Matt. 11:28.** Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
- Matt. 13:16, 17.** Blessed are your eyes, for they see and your ears, for they hear. For verily, I say unto you, that many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.
- Matt. 13:31, 32.** The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field; which indeed is the least of all seeds, but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.
- Matt. 16:18.** Upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
- Mark 1:15.** The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent ye, and believe the gospel.

Mark 13:5, 6. Take heed lest any man deceive you, for many shall come in My name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

Luke 6:47-49. Whosoever cometh to Me, and heareth My sayings, and doeth them, I will show you to whom he is like. He is like a man which built a house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house and could not shake it, for it was founded upon a rock. But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built a house upon the earth, against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.

Luke 8:15. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it and bring forth fruit with patience.

Luke 12:32. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

John 1:8, 9. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

John 4:24. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

John 5:39. Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me.

John 6:43-45. Murmur not among yourselves. No man can come to Me, except the Father which hath sent Me draw him, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto Me.

John 6:63. It is the Spirit that quickeneth. The flesh profiteth nothing. The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

John 7:16, 17. My doctrine is not Mine, but His that sent Me. If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of Myself.

John 8:12. I am the light of the world. He that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

John 8:31, 32. If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 12:35, 36. Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you, for he that walketh

in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light.

John 12:46, 47. I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on Me should not abide in darkness. And if any man hear My words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.

John 13:35. By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples if ye have love one to another.

John 14:6. I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me.

John 17:3. And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.

John 17:17. Sanctify them through Thy truth, Thy word is truth.

John 17:20, 21. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on Me through their word; that they all may be one, as Thou Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me. And the glory which Thou gavest Me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one.

John 18:37. Every one that is of the truth heareth My voice.

Acts 5:38, 39. If this work be of men, it will come to nought, but if it be of God, ye can not overthrow it, lest haply ye be found even to fight against God.

Acts 9:31. Then had the churches rest throughout all Judea, and Galilee and Samaria and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

Acts 12:24. But the word of God grew and multiplied.

Acts 15:11. We believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

Acts 16:30, 31. Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Acts 17:11, 12. They received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so. Therefore many of them believed, also of honorable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

Rom. 1:16. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

Rom. 1:17. The just shall live by faith.

Rom. 3:23, 24. For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Rom. 3:28. Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

Rom. 5:1, 2. Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom also we have access by faith in this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Rom. 7:6. Now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held, that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.

Rom. 7:24, 25. O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom. 8:14. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Rom. 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God.

Rom. 10:4. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Rom. 10:10, 11. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed.

I Cor. 1:10. Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

I Cor. 1:27. God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty.

I Cor. 3:11. For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

I Cor. 7:23. Ye are bought with a price, be not ye the servants of men.

I Cor. 8:9. Take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak.

I Cor. 15:58. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

- I Cor. 16:13.** Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.
- II Cor. 1:24.** Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy, for by faith ye stand.
- II Cor. 3:17.** Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.
- II Cor. 4:6.** For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
- II Cor. 13:8.** For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.
- Gal. 2:16.** Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ and not by the works of the law, for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.
- Gal. 3:11-13.** But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident. For the just shall live by faith. And the law is not of faith, but the man that doeth them shall live in them. Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us, for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree.
- Gal. 5:1.** Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.
- Gal. 5:13.** For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty, only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.
- Eph. 1:3.** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.
- Eph. 2:8-10.** For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves. It is the gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
- Eph. 2:19-22.** Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God, and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone; in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple

in the Lord, in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

Eph. 4:14, 15. That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive, but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.

Eph. 5:25-27. Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it, that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Phil. 1:27. Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ, that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.

Col. 2:6-8. As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him, rooted and builded up in Him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

Col. 3:16, 17. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.

II Thess. 2:15. Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.

I Tim. 2:4. God will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

II Tim. 2:19. Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

II Tim. 3:14-17. Continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; and that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for

instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Heb. 10:23-25. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering, for He is faithful that promised. And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another, and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Heb. 12:1, 2. Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.

Heb. 13:7. Remember them which have rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God, whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation.

James 1:22. Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

I Peter 1:25. But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

I Peter 2:2. As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby.

I Peter 2:9. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people, that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

I Peter 3:15. Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.

II Peter 1:19-21. We have also a more sure word of prophecy, whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts, knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man, but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

II Peter 3:17, 18. Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness. But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I John 4:1, 2. Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God, because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God.

I John 5:4. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world, and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Jude 20, 21. But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Rev. 2:25. But that which ye have already, hold fast till I come.

Rev. 3:8. I know thy works. Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it, for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept My word, and hast not denied My name.

Rev. 3:11. Behold, I come quickly. Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Rev. 14:6, 7. And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to Him; for the hour of His judgment is come and worship Him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

11. Thanksgiving and Harvest Home

The custom of rendering thanks to God at harvesttime is as old as the family of man. The ancient Jews made ample provision for the sacrifice of first-fruits in their religious festivals. It is altogether fitting, therefore, that the Christian Church should have a special day of thanksgiving for the harvest of orchard and field. Our large industrial centers and the growing influx of people from the farm to the cities bring an obligation to the Christian minister which he dare not pass by. Our duty to render thanks to "the Giver of every good and perfect gift" and our dependence upon Him should find full expression. Our materialistic

age, too, makes it all the more necessary to emphasize the necessity of receiving everything with thanksgiving and using it to the glory of God and to the service of our fellow men.

Gen. 8:22. While the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

Gen. 27:27, 28. And he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him and said, See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the Lord hath blessed. Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine.

Gen. 32:10. I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which Thou hast showed unto Thy servant.

Exod. 16:15. This is the bread which the Lord hath given you to eat.

Exod. 34:24. I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders, neither shall any man desire thy land.

Lev. 19:9, 10. And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest. And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather every grape of thy vineyard. Thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger.

Lev. 23:39. When ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the Lord.

Lev. 25:18-23. Ye shall dwell in the land in safety. And the land shall yield her fruit, and ye shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety. And if ye shall say, what shall we eat the seventh year? Behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase. Then I will command My blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth fruit for three years. And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat yet of old fruit until the ninth year. Until her fruits come in ye shall eat of the old store.

Lev. 26:3-6. If ye walk in My statutes, and keep My commandments, and do them, then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the fields yield their fruit. And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time, and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely. And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make you

afraid. And I will rid evil beasts out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land.

Deut. 8:3. Man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live.

Deut. 8:10, 11. When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which He hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping His commandments, and His judgments, and His statutes, which I command thee this day.

Deut. 11:13-16. And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto My commandments which I command you this day, to love the Lord your God, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul, that I will give you the rain of your land in due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil. And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full. Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them.

Deut. 28:12. The Lord shall open unto thee His good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand. And thou shalt lend to many nations and shalt not borrow.

Josh. 1:13. The Lord your God hath given you rest, and hath given you this land.

I Sam. 7:12. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.

I Chron. 16:11, 12. Seek the Lord and His strength, seek His face continually. Remember His marvelous works that He hath done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth.

I Chron. 16:34. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endureth for ever.

I Chron. 29:10-13. Blessed be Thou, Lord God of Israel our father, for ever and ever. Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine. Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from Thee, and Thou reignest over all, and in thine hand is power and might, and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. Now, therefore, our God, we thank Thee, and praise Thy glorious name.

Job 5:9, 10. God doeth great things and unsearchable, marvelous things without number, who giveth rain upon the earth and sendeth waters upon the fields.

Psalm 24:1. The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein.

Psalm 36:7-10. How excellent is Thy lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Thy wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of Thy house, and Thou shalt make them drink of the river of Thy pleasures. For with Thee is the fountain of life. In Thy light shall we see light. O continue Thy lovingkindness unto them that know Thee; and Thy righteousness to the upright in heart.

Psalm 50:14. Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most high.

Psalm 65:9-13. Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it; Thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water. Thou preparest them corn when Thou hast so provided for it. Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly; Thou settest the furrows thereof; Thou makest it soft with showers; Thou blessest the springing thereof. Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness, and Thy paths drop fatness. They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness, and the little hills rejoice on every side. The pastures are clothed with flocks, the valleys also are covered over with corn, they shout for joy, they also sing.

Psalm 67:5-7. Let the people praise Thee, O God. Let all the people praise Thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase, and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

Psalm 68:19. Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation.

Psalm 85:9-12. Surely His salvation is nigh them that fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land. Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven. Yea, the Lord shall give that which is good, and our land shall yield her increase.

Psalm 92:1. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O most high.

Psalm 95:1-8. O come, let us sing unto the Lord. Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In His hand are the deep places of the earth. The strength of the hills is His also. The sea is His, and He made it:

and His hands formed the dry land. O come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand. Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your heart.

Psalm 100:1-5. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness, come before His presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord He is God. It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves. We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

Psalm 103:1, 2. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

Psalm 104:24. O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all. The earth is full of Thy riches.

Psalm 115:12. The Lord hath been mindful of us.

Psalm 116:12. What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me?

Psalm 126:3. The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.

Psalm 144:13-15. That our garners may be full, affording all manner of store; that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets; that our oxen may be strong to labor; that there be no breaking in, nor going out; that there be no complaining in our streets. Happy is that people that is in such a case. Yea, happy is that people, whose God is the Lord.

Psalm 147:7-9. Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving. Sing praise upon the harp unto our God, who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

Psalm 147:12-14. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem. Praise thy God, O Zion. For He hath strengthened the bars of thy gates. He hath blessed thy children within thee. He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

Prov. 3:9, 10. Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase, so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

Prov. 28:19, 20. He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread; but he that followeth after vain persons shall have poverty enough.

A faithful man shall abound with blessings, but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.

Jer. 5:24. Let us now fear the Lord our God, that giveth rain, both the former and the latter, in his season; He reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest.

Ezek. 27:33. When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people. Thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy merchandise.

Ezek. 34:26, 27. And I will make them and the places round about My hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing. And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the Lord.

Hosea 2:21-23. And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the Lord, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth; and the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel. And I will sow her unto Me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them which were not My people, Thou art My people; and they shall say, Thou art my God.

Matt. 5:45. Your Father in heaven maketh His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

Matt. 6:11. Give us this day our daily bread.

John 6:12. Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost.

Acts 14:17. God left not Himself without witness, in that He did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

I Cor. 10:31. Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

II Cor. 9:15. Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift.

Eph. 5:20. Give thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Thess. 5:18. In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

183 **I Tim. 4:4, 5.** For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving, for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

I Tim. 6:17, 18. Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living

God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy, that they do good, that they be rich in good-works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate.

Heb. 13:16. But to do good and to communicate, forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

James 1:17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variable-ness, neither shadow of turning.

I John 3:17. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

Rev. 3:17, 18. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see.

12. Missions

"Go ye into all the world," is the Savior's great command to His church. That this command should ever be held before God's people is evident, but the inspiration to be derived from a special festival of missions is not to be overlooked. The preacher can do much to foster the missionary life of his congregation on such occasions. He will do well to acquaint himself with the missionary program and work of his church. By sharing this knowledge with his people he can win them to a liberal support of the work of missions.

Although there is no essential difference between the various phases of mission work, the following texts are grouped under three headings: Home Missions, Social Missions, and Foreign Missions.

A. Home Missions

- Lev. 19:34.** The stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself.
- Judg. 5:23.** Curse ye, Meroz, said the angel of the Lord, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because thy came not to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty.
- Judg. 18:9.** Be not slothful to go, and to enter to possess the land.
- Ruth 1:16.** Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God.
- II Chron. 15:7.** Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded.
- Neh. 4:17.** Every one with one of his hands wrought in the work and with the other hand held a weapon.
- Esther 8:6.** How can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred?
- Psalms 80:14, 15.** Return, we beseech Thee, O God of hosts: look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine; and the vineyard which Thy right hand hath planted, and the branch that Thou madest strong for Thyself.
- Psalms 84:3.** The sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even Thine altars, Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- Psalms 89:15, 16.** Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound; they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance. In Thy name shall they rejoice all the day; and in Thy righteousness shall they be exalted.
- Psalms 90:17.** Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it.
- Psalms 100:1-5.** Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord He is God; it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endureth to all generations.
- Psalms 102:13.** Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion, for the time to favor her, yea, the set time, is come.
- Psalms 107:7.** He led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.

Psalm 124:8. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 133:1. Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.

Isa. 5:4. What could have been done more to My vineyard, that I have not done in it?

Isa. 5:4. When I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes.

Isa. 35:8-10. An highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there; and the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Isa. 57:19. Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the Lord.

Isa. 61:4. They shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.

Jer. 8:22. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there?

Ezek. 34:11. Behold I, even I, will both search My sheep, and seek them out.

Jonah 1:8. What is thine occupation? And whence comest thou? What is thy country? And of what people art thou?

Jonah 3:2. Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.

Zech. 8:20, 21. There shall come people and the inhabitants of many cities; and the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, let us go speedily to pray before the Lord, and to seek the Lord of hosts.

Zech. 8:23. We will go with you, for we have heard that God is with you.

Matt. 9:36. When He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd.

Matt. 18:20. Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.

- Luke 12:32.** Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
- John 16:33.** In the world ye shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.
- John 17:9.** I pray not for the world, but for them which Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine.
- Acts 2:47.** The Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.
- Acts 4:29.** Lord, grant unto Thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak Thy word.
- Acts 5:38, 39.** If this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought; but if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it, lest haply ye be found even to fight against God.
- Acts 11:23.** Barnabas, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.
- II Cor. 9:6.** He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.
- Gal. 6:10.** As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.
- I Tim. 1:15.** This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
- I Tim. 2:4.** God will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.
- II Tim. 2:20, 21.** In a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honor, and some to dishonor. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.
- Titus 2:11.** The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.
- Heb. 13:1, 2.** Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.
- Heb. 13:8.** Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever.
- I Peter 3:15.** Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.
- I John 5:19.** We know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.

- Rev. 3:2.** Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die, for I have not found thy works perfect before God.
- Rev. 3:8.** I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it; for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept My word, and hast not denied My name.
- Rev. 3:18.** I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear, and anoint thine eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see.

B. Social Missions

- Gen. 4:9.** Am I my brother's keeper?
- Gen. 21:16.** Let me not see the death of the child.
- Gen. 40:14.** Think on me when it shall be well with thee, and show kindness, I pray thee, unto me.
- Gen. 42:21.** We are verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear.
- Exod. 23:25.** Ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.
- Lev. 25:35.** If thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee, then thou shalt relieve him; yea, though he be a stranger, or a sojourner, that he may live with thee.
- Deut. 15:7, 8.** If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother, but thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth.
- Deut. 15:11.** The poor shall never cease out of the land, therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.
- Deut. 32:39.** See now that I, even I, am He, and there is no god with Me; I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal, neither is there any that can deliver out of My hand.
- I Chron. 28:9.** The Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts; if thou seek Him, He will be

found of thee; but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off for ever.

Job 6:14. To him that is afflicted pity should be showed from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of the Almighty.

Job 24:4. They turn the needy out of the way; the poor of the earth hide themselves together.

Job 29:12. I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and him that had none to help him.

Job 29:15, 16. I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame. I was a father to the poor, and the cause which I knew not, I searched out.

Job 30:25. Did not I weep for him that was in trouble? Was not my soul grieved for the poor?

Psalms 1:6. The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Psalms 9:10. Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee.

Psalms 27:10. When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up.

Psalms 37:5. Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.

Psalms 41:1. Blessed is he that considereth the poor.

Psalms 46:1, 2. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea.

Psalms 69:33. The Lord heareth the poor, and despiseth not His prisoners.

Psalms 72:12-14. He shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and him that hath no helper. He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy. He shall redeem their souls from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in His sight.

Psalms 72:16. They of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

Psalms 82:3, 4. Defend the poor and fatherless; do justice to the afflicted and needy. Deliver the poor and needy; rid them out of the hand of the wicked.

Psalms 127:1. Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

Prov. 3:27. Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.

- Prov. 3:28.** Say not unto thy neighbor, Go, and come again, and to-morrow I will give, when thou hast it by thee.
- Prov. 11:25.** The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.
- Prov. 14:31.** He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker, but he that honoreth Him hath mercy on the poor.
- Prov. 19:17.** He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord, and that which he hath given will He pay him again.
- Prov. 25:21, 22.** If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat, and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink, for thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the Lord shall reward thee.
- Isa. 1:16, 17.** Put away the evil of your doings from before Mine eyes; cease to do evil; learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.
- Isa. 1:18.** Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.
- Isa. 29:19.** The poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.
- Isa. 33:20, 24.** Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick; the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.
- Isa. 35:5, 6.** Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing.
- Isa. 40:11.** He shall feed His flock like a shepherd; He shall gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom.
- Isa. 41:17.** When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.
- Isa. 48:17, 18.** I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go. O that thou hadst hearkened to My commandments! Then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea.
- Isa. 55:6.** Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near.
- Isa. 57:18.** I have seen his ways, and will heal him; I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners.
- Isa. 61:1-3.** The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me; because the Lord hath anointed Me to preach good tidings unto the meek;

He hath sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; to appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified.

Jer. 2:19. Know and see that it is an evil thing and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the Lord thy God, and that My fear is not in thee, saith the Lord God of hosts.

Jer. 8:22. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of My people recovered?

Ezek. 33:11. I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

Ezek. 34:6. My flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them.

Nahum 3:1. Woe to the bloody city! It is all full of lies and robbery.

Zech. 7:9. Show mercy and compassions every man to his brother.

Mal. 2:10. Have we not all one father? Hath not one God created us?

Matt. 5:7. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Matt. 5:42. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

Matt. 6:3. Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth.

Matt. 9:12. They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.

Matt. 9:13. I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Matt. 9:35. Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

Matt. 9:36. When He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

Matt. 10:42. Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

Matt. 11:5. The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

Matt. 18:11. The Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

Matt. 20:4. Go ye also into the vineyard.

Matt. 20:6. Why stand ye here all the day idle?

Matt. 25:35, 36. I was an hungred, and ye gave Me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took Me in; naked, and ye clothed Me; I was sick, and ye visited Me; I was in prison, and ye came unto Me.

Matt. 25:40. Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me.

Luke 6:36. Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

Luke 9:48. Whosoever shall receive this child in My name receiveth Me.

Luke 9:56. The Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives but to save them.

Luke 10:25-37. The Good Samaritan.

Luke 14:13, 14. When thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind, and thou shalt be blessed, for they cannot recompense thee; for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

Luke 14:21. Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.

Luke 15:4-7. What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbors, saying unto them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost. I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

Luke 15:8-10. What woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it? And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and neighbors together saying, Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I had lost. Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

Luke 15:11-32. The Prodigal Son.

John 13:35. By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Acts 2:45. They sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

Acts 4:35. Neither was there any among them that lacked.

Acts 11:29. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judea.

Acts 20:35. It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Rom. 15:1. We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak.

I Cor. 13:1-3. Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

Gal. 6:9. Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Gal. 6:10. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

I Tim. 5:8. If any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

Heb. 10:31. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Heb. 13:3. Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in bond.

Heb. 13:16. To do good and to communicate forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

James 1:27. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

James 2:15, 16. If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled, notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?

James 4:8. Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you.

James 4:17. Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.

James 5:19, 20. Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way, shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

II Peter 3:9. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

I John 3:16. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

I John 3:17, 18. Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

I John 4:11. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

C. Foreign Missions

Gen. 12:3. In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

Num. 11:29. Would God that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put His spirit upon them!

I Sam 7:12. Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.

I Sam. 30:24. As his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff; they shall part alike.

I Ki. 8:42. They shall hear of Thy great name, and of Thy strong hand, and of Thy stretched out arm.

I Ki. 20:13. Hast thou seen all this great multitude?

I Chron. 29:5. Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?

Psalms 22:27, 28. All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the Lord; and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before Thee. For the kingdom is the Lord's, and He is the governor among the nations.

Psalms 24:1. The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

Psalms 24:9. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in.

Psalm 47:8. God reigneth over the heathen.

Psalm 66:4. All the earth shall worship Thee, and shall sing unto Thee; they shall sing to Thy name.

Psalm 68:31. Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

Psalm 96:2-4. Sing unto the Lord, bless His name; show forth His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the heathen, His wonders among all people. For the Lord is great, and greatly to be praised. He is to be feared above all gods.

Psalm 96:10. Say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth.

Psalm 98:2, 3. The Lord hath made known His salvation; His righteousness hath He openly showed in the sight of the heathen. He hath remembered His mercy and His truth toward the house of Israel, all the ends of this earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Isa. 2:3. Many people shall go and say, Come ye, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths, for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Isa. 2:18. The idols He shall utterly abolish.

Isa. 5:12. Woe unto them that regard not the work of the Lord, neither consider the operation of His hands.

Isa. 11:9. The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

Isa. 19:22. They shall return even to the Lord, and He shall be entreated of them, and shall heal them.

Isa. 21:11, 12. Watchman, what of the night? The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night; if ye will enquire, enquire ye; return, come.

Isa. 34:1. Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people; let the earth hear, and all that is therein; the world, and all things that come forth from it.

Isa. 35:4. God will come and save you.

Isa. 40:5. The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Isa. 42:1. Behold, My servant, whom I uphold; Mine elect, in whom My soul delighteth; I have put My spirit upon Him; He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.

Isa. 45:20. They have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save.

- Isa. 45:22.** Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth, for I am God, and there is none else.
- Isa. 49:23.** They shall not be ashamed that wait for Me.
- Isa. 52:15.** So shall He sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at Him, for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider.
- Isa. 60:1-3.** Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.
- Jer. 16:19-21.** The Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit. Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods? Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know Mine hand and My might; and they shall know that My name is the Lord.
- Jonah 4:11.** Should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right and their left hand?
- Zeph. 2:11.** Men shall worship Him, every one from his place, even all the isles of the heathen.
- Zech. 4:6.** Not by might, nor by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.
- Zech. 8:23.** We will go with you, for we have heard that God is with you.
- Mal. 1:11.** From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same My name shall be great among the Gentiles.
- Matt. 5:16.** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
- Matt. 8:11.** Many shall come from the east and west and shall sit down with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.
- Matt. 9:37, 38.** The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest.
- Matt. 13:31, 32.** The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field, which indeed is

the least of all seeds; but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

Matt. 13:33. The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.

Matt. 13:47. The kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind.

Matt. 24:14. This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come.

Matt. 28:19, 20. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

Mark 13:10. The gospel must first be published among all nations.

Luke 14:22. Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

John 3:16. God so loved the world, that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 4:23. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for the Father seeketh such to worship Him.

John 4:37. One soweth, and another reapeth.

John 4:42. We know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world.

John 10:16. Other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one fold and one shepherd.

John 12:21. Sir, we would see Jesus.

John 12:32. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me.

John 14: 6. I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father but by Me.

John 18:36. My kingdom is not of this world.

John 18:37. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth, heareth My voice.

Acts 4:12. There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Acts 9:15. He is a chosen vessel unto Me, to bear My name before the Gentiles.

Acts 16:9. Come over into Macedonia and help us.

Acts 17:26. God hath made of one blood all nations of men.

Acts 20:35. It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Rom. 1:15. I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.

Rom. 1:16. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

Rom. 5:20. Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.

Rom. 10:12-15. There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

I Cor. 9:22. I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.

I Cor. 16:9. A great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries.

II Cor. 5:14. The love of Christ constraineth us.

II Cor. 9:6. He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Phil. 1:18. Christ is preached, and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.

II Thess. 3:1. Brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you.

I Tim. 2:5, 6. There is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

II Tim. 2:9. The word of God is not bound.

Heb. 13:8. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever

I John 3:8. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

I John 5:4. Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world, and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

- I John 5:12.** He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.
- Rev. 6:1, 2.** And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see. And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him, and he went forth conquering and to conquer.
- Rev. 6:2-8.** The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse.
- Rev. 7:13.** What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?
- Rev. 15:4.** Who shall not fear Thee, O Lord, and glorify Thy name? For Thou only art holy, for all nations shall come and worship before Thee.
- Rev. 22:17.** And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst, come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

13. Anniversary of Dedication

A special service to commemorate the dedication of a church offers opportunity to mark the growth and the development of a congregation and becomes thus a service of thanksgiving for pastor and people. The uninterrupted ministration of the Word and sacraments, the benefits of public worship, and the blessings which come to us in the household of faith, are all worthy of thanks and can well be emphasized by the preacher.

- Gen. 28:17.** This is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.
- Exod. 19:6.** Ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests and an holy nation.
- Lev. 25:10.** Ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof. It shall be a jubilee unto you.
- Lev. 26:11, 12.** And I will set My tabernacle among you, and My soul shall not abhor you. And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be My people.

- I Ki. 8:29.** Let Thine eyes be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place of which Thou hast said, My name shall be there.
- Ezra 6:16.** And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of the children of the captivity, kept the dedication of this house of God with joy.
- Ezra 7:27.** Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers, which hath put such a thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the Lord which is in Jerusalem.
- Psalms 5:7.** I will come into Thy house in the multitude of Thy mercy, and in Thy fear will I worship toward Thy holy temple.
- Psalms 26:8.** Lord, I have loved the habitation of Thy house, and the place where Thine honor dwelleth.
- Psalms 27:4.** One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple.
- Psalms 50:14, 15.** Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most high; and call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.
- Psalms 57:7-9.** My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise. Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp. I myself will awake early. I will praise Thee, O Lord, among the people. I will sing unto Thee among the nations.
- Psalms 65:1, 2.** Praise waiteth for Thee, O God, in Zion, and unto Thee shall the vow be performed. O Thou that hearest prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come.
- Psalms 73:28.** It is good for me to draw near to God. I have put my trust in the Lord God, that I may declare all Thy works.
- Psalms 93:5.** Thy testimonies are very sure. Holiness becometh Thine house, O Lord, for ever.
- Psalms 95:6, 7.** O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.
- Psalms 100:1-3.** Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before His presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord He is God.
- Psalms 119:24.** Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors.
- Psalms 138:2.** I will worship toward Thy holy temple, and praise Thy name for Thy lovingkindness and for Thy truth, for Thou hast magnified Thy word above all Thy name.

- Ecd. 5:1.** Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools.
- Isa. 2:3.** Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths. For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
- Isa. 55:10, 11.** For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth. It shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.
- Jer. 15:16.** Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart, for I am called by Thy name, O Lord God of hosts.
- Jer. 51:10.** The Lord hath brought forth our righteousness. Come and let us declare in Zion the work of the Lord our God.
- Micah 6:8.** He hath showed thee, O man, what is good. And what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?
- Matt. 10:32, 33.** Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before My Father which is in heaven.
- Matt. 13:8.** Other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.
- Matt. 13:16, 17.** Blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear. For verily I say unto you, that many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.
- Luke 8:18.** Take heed therefore how ye hear, for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have.
- Luke 19:46.** My house is the house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves.
- John 6:68.** Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.
- John 10:22, 23.** And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter. And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch.

John 10:27, 28. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me, and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.

John 14:23. If a man love Me, he will keep My words, and My Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

Acts 2:46, 47. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

Acts 20:32. I commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

Rom. 1:16. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

Rom. 12:1. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

I Cor. 3:9. We are laborers together with God. Ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

II Cor. 6:1. We then, as workers together with Him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.

II Cor. 6:16. Ye are the temple of the living God, as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

Eph. 1:3. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.

Phil. 4:4. Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice.

Col. 1:12, 13. Give thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light, who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son.

Col. 2:6. As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him.

Col. 3:16. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Heb. 10:25. Let us not forsake the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is.

Heb. 13:8. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever.

James 1:21. Receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

James 1:22. Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

I Peter 2:5. Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

I Peter 2:9. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people, that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Jude 20, 21. But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Rev. 3:11. Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Rev. 21:22. And I saw no temple therein, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

III

TEXTS FOR

The Church Year

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IT IS INCUMBENT upon the minister of the Church of Jesus Christ rightly to divide the Word of truth. This duty applies not only to the particular text upon which he happens to be preaching but also to the whole round of truth which he expounds and applies. Because carefully selected pericope texts take the whole range of divine truth into purview, the minister who follows a stated pericope series can, in the course of the Church Year, touch upon practically all of the vital truths of faith and life.

The most familiar series of texts for the Church Year are the ancient or historic pericopes, which include lessons from both the Gospels and the Epistles. These have been in use from the earliest times and with only slight variations are used today in the Lutheran, Episcopalian, and Roman rites. From time to time other selections have been made by individuals, general church bodies, conferences, and the like. Many of these selections, however, remained distinctly parochial in character. Others were more widely accepted and have come into quite common use. Some of these latter are included in this volume.

It will be found that some texts are duplicated in the various selections. This is particularly true of the great festivals of the Church Year because the texts are necessarily limited to the subject matter of the festival or season. On the whole, however, the texts offered in the various pericopes provide such a wide variety of subjects that it is almost impossible to think of anything of abiding human interest which cannot be given emphasis in the course of the Church Year.

To make the book as useful as possible, two indexes are included, one according to the Church Year and one according to the Books of the Bible.

1. THE HISTORIC PERICOPE

The word *pericope* designates a series of stated lessons of Scripture. The reformers of the sixteenth century retained the pre-Reformation Epistle and Gospel selections. These were read in The Service and usually formed the text for the sermon so that in time they became a sort of Bible for the worshiper containing a great store of priceless truths made living through serial preaching upon them. They are supplemented here by a series of Old Testament selections made by the Commission on a Common Liturgy. These Old Testament selections, paralleling the Epistle and the Gospel selections, add variety and stimulation for the preacher without changing the essentials.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 13:11-14.

Gospel: Matt. 21:1-9.

O. T.: Jer. 31:31-34.

The New Day Calls for a New Life

Christ's Entry into Jerusalem

The New Covenant

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 15:4-13.

Gospel: Luke 21:25-36.

O. T.: Mal. 4:1-6.

The Patient Endurance of Hope

Signs of the Coming of the Lord

The Healing Sun of Righteousness

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Cor. 4:1-5.	Appeal to the Judgment of God
Gospel: Matt. 11:2-10.	John's Message to Jesus
O. T.: Isa. 40:1-8.	God Comforts His People

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Phil. 4:4-7.	The Presence of the Lord Gives Joy
Gospel: John 1:19-28.	The Testimony of John
O. T.: Deut. 18:15-19.	A Prophet from among Their Brethren

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: Titus 2:11-14.	God Gives Life to the World
Gospel: Luke 2:1-14.	The Savior Is Born
O. T.: Isa. 9:2-7.	Unto Us a Child Is Born

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: Titus 3:4-7.	The Washing of Regeneration
Gospel: Luke 2:15-20.	The Shepherds Go to Bethlehem

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: Gal. 4:1-7.	Christ Makes Us Children of God
Gospel: Luke 2:33-40.	The Consolation of Israel
O. T.: Isa. 63:7-16.	The Lovingkindness of the Lord

New Year's Day

Epistle: Gal. 3:23-29.	All One in Christ Jesus
Gospel: Luke 2:21.	The Name of Jesus
O. T.: Josh. 24:14-18.	We Will Serve the Lord

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: I Peter 4:12-19.	Partakers of Christ's Sufferings
Gospel: Matt. 2:13-23.	Flight into Egypt
O. T.: I Sam. 2:1-10.	Hannah's Song of Thanksgiving

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: Isa. 60:1-6.	Arise, Shine, for Thy Light Is Come
Gospel: Matt. 2:1-12.	The Wise Men Worship Christ
O. T.: Isa. 2:2-5.	The Kingdom of the Lord Shall Be Established

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 12:1-5.	The Spiritual Service of the Christian
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52.	The Child Jesus in the Temple
O. T.: Eccl. 12:1-7.	Remember Thy Creator

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 12:6-16.	Faith and Love in Our Social Relations
Gospel: John 2:1-11.	The Wedding in Cana
O. T.: Isa. 61:1-6.	The Office of Christ

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 12:17-21.	Evil Overcome with Good
Gospel: Matt. 8:1-13.	Jesus Praises the Centurion's Faith
O. T.: II Ki. 5:1-19.	Naaman the Leper

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 13:8-10.	Love, the Fulfillment of the Law
Gospel: Matt. 8:23-27.	Jesus Stills the Tempest
O. T.: Exod. 14:21-31.	Passage through the Red Sea

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Col. 3:12-17.	Love, the Bond of Union
Gospel: Matt. 13:24-30.	The Tares among the Wheat
O. T.: Ezek. 33:10-16.	Turn Ye from Your Evil Ways

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: II Peter 1:16-21.	The Light of the Prophetic Word
Gospel: Matt. 17:1-9.	The Transfiguration of Our Lord
O. T.: Exod. 3:1-6.	Moses and the Burning Bush

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: I Cor. 9:24-10:5.	The Incorruptible Crown of Victory
Gospel: Matt. 20:1-16.	The Laborers in the Vineyard
O. T.: Jer. 9:23, 24.	Cause for True Glorifying

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: II Cor. 11:19-12:9.	Paul Glories in His Infirmities
Gospel: Luke 8:4-15.	The Parable of the Sower
O. T.: Amos 8:11, 12.	A Famine of God's Word

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: I Cor. 13:1-13.	The Greatest of These Is Love
Gospel: Luke 18:31-43.	Jesus Goes up to Jerusalem
O. T.: Jer. 8:4-9.	The Impenitence of God's People

Ash Wednesday

Epistle: Joel 2:12-19.	The Call to Repentance
Gospel: Matt. 6:16-21.	Treasures Which Abide

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: II Cor. 6:1-10.	Receive not the Grace of God in Vain
Gospel: Matt. 4:1-11.	The Temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness
O. T.: Gen. 22:1-14.	Abraham Offers His Son Isaac

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Thess. 4:1-7.	God's Call to Holiness
Gospel: Matt. 15:21-28.	The Woman of Canaan
O. T.: Exod. 33:17-25.	Moses Seeks to See God's Glory

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Eph. 5:1-9.	Walk as Children of Light
Gospel: Luke 11:14-28.	Jesus Reveals the Power of Evil
O. T.: Jer. 26:1-15.	The Message in the Temple Court

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Gal. 4:21-31.	The Two Covenants
Gospel: John 6:1-15.	Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand
O. T.: Isa. 52:7-10.	Good Tidings of Salvation

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: Heb. 9:11-15.	Christ, the Mediator of a New Covenant
Gospel: John 8:46-59.	Before Abraham Was, I Am
O. T.: Num. 21:4-9.	Moses and the Fiery Serpents

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Phil. 2:5-11.	The Mind of Christ
Gospel: Matt. 21:1-9.	Christ's Entry into Jerusalem
O. T.: Zech. 9:8-12.	Behold Thy King Cometh unto Thee

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: I Cor. 11:23-32.	Let a Man Examine Himself
Gospel: John 13:1-15.	Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet
O. T.: Exod. 12:1-14.	The Passover Instituted

Good Friday

Epistle: Isa. 52:13-53:12.	The Stricken Son of God
Gospel: John 18:1-19:42.	Death and Burial of Jesus
O. T.: Isa. 53:1-7.	Christ's Suffering Foretold

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Cor. 5:6-8.	The Old and New Leaven
Gospel: Mark 16:1-8.	The Resurrection of Our Lord
O. T.: Isa. 25:1-8.	Joy in the Salvation of God

Monday after Easter

Epistle: Acts 10:34-41.

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35.

The Risen Christ Preached to the Gentiles

The Disciples in Emmaus

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 5:4-12.

Gospel: John 20:19-31.

O. T.: Gen. 32:22-31.

Faith Overcometh the World

Jesus and Thomas

Jacob Wrestles with the Angel

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Peter 2:21-25.

Gospel: John 10:11-16.

O. T.: Ezek. 34:11-16.

In the Footsteps of Christ

I Am the Good Shepherd

A Shepherd in Israel Promised

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Peter 2:11-20.

Gospel: John 16:16-23.

O. T.: Isa. 40:26-31.

Christians as Strangers and Pilgrims

Passing Sorrow and Abiding Joy

God Giveth Power and Strength

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: James 1:16-21.

Gospel: John 16:5-15.

O. T.: Isa. 49:1-15.

Every Good and Perfect Gift Is from
above

The Spirit of Truth

The Lord Hath Comforted His People

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: James 1:22-27.

Gospel: John 16:23-30.

O. T.: Isa. 55:6-11.

Hearers and Doers of the Word

Prayer in the Name of Jesus

My Word Shall not Return Void

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Acts 1:1-11.

Gospel: Mark 16:14-20.

O. T.: Gen. 5:21-24.

The Ascension of Our Lord

The Commission and Ascension of Christ

The Translation of Enoch

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: I Peter 4:7-11.

Gospel: John 15:26-16:4.

O. T.: Isa. 32:14-20.

That God in All Things May Be Glorified

The Promise of the Comforter

Until the Spirit Be Poured upon Us

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Acts 2:1-13.

Gospel: John 14:23-31.

O. T.: Ezek. 36:22-28.

The Holy Spirit Fills the Believers

The Work of the Holy Spirit

God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Acts 10:42-48.	The Holy Spirit Shed upon the Gentiles
Gospel: John 3:16-21.	God so Loved the World

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 11:33-36.	The Unsearchable Wisdom of God
Gospel: John 3:1-15.	Jesus and Nicodemus
O. T.: Isa. 6:1-6.	The Prophet's Vision of the Lord's Glory

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 4:16-21.	Perfect Love Casteth out Fear
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31.	The Rich Man and Lazarus
O. T.: Deut. 6:4-13.	Love to God Enjoined

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 3:13-18.	Let Us Love in Deed and in Truth
Gospel: Luke 14:16-24.	The Parable of the Great Supper
O. T.: Prov. 9:1-10.	True Wisdom

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Peter 5:6-11.	Be Sober, Be Vigilant
Gospel: Luke 15:1-10.	The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin
O. T.: Isa. 12:1-6.	God Is My Salvation

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 8:18-23.	The Glorious Liberty of the Children of God
Gospel: Luke 6:36-42.	The Mote and the Beam
O. T.: Isa. 65:17-19, 24, 25.	The New Jerusalem

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Peter 3:8-15.	Called to Inherit a Blessing
Gospel: Luke 5:1-11.	The Draught of Fishes
O. T.: Lam. 3:22-32.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 6:3-11.	Crucified with Christ
Gospel: Matt. 5:20-26.	The Higher Righteousness Required by Christ
O. T.: Ruth 1:1-17.	Entreat Me not to Leave Thee

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 6:19-23.	Free from Sin and Servants to God
Gospel: Mark 8:1-9.	The Four Thousand Fed
O. T.: Isa. 62:6-12.	Raising aloft the Banner of God

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 8:12-17.	The Spirit of Adoption
Gospel: Matt. 7:15-23.	Beware of False Prophets
O. T.: Jer. 23:16-29.	Judgment against False Prophets

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 10:6-13.	God's Faithfulness in Our Temptations
Gospel: Luke 16:1-9.	The Unrighteous Steward
O. T.: Prov. 16:1-9.	God's Mind and Man's Mind

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 12:1-11.	Concerning Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: Luke 19:41-48.	Jesus Weeps over Jerusalem
O. T.: Jer. 7:1-11.	A Call to True Repentance

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 15:1-10.	The Resurrection Appearances of Christ
Gospel: Luke 18:9-14.	The Pharisee and the Publican
O. T.: Dan. 9:15-18.	The Prayer of Daniel

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 3:4-11.	Able Ministers of the New Testament
Gospel: Mark 7:31-37.	Jesus Heals a Deaf-Mute
O. T.: Isa. 29:18-21.	The Promise of Good Things to Come

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Gal. 3:15-22.	The Purpose of the Law
Gospel: Luke 10:23-37.	Parable of the Good Samaritan
O. T.: Zech. 7:4-10.	Kingdom Requirements

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Gal. 5:16-24.	The Fruit of the Spirit
Gospel: Luke 17:11-19.	Ten Lepers Cleansed
O. T.: Prov. 4:14-23.	The Just Contrasted with the Wicked

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Gal. 5:25-6:10.	Let Us not Be Weary in Well-Doing
Gospel: Matt. 6:24-34.	Ye Cannot Serve God and Mammon
O. T.: I Ki. 17:8-16.	Elijah and the Widow

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 3:13-21.	That Christ May Dwell in Your Hearts
Gospel: Luke 7:11-17.	The Widow's Son Restored to Life
O. T.: Job 5:17-28.	The Happy End of God's Correction

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 4:1-6.	One Lord, One Faith
Gospel: Luke 14:1-11.	Jesus Teaches Humility
O. T.: Prov. 25:6-13.	A Word Fitly Spoken

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 1:4-9.	Enriched by Christ in Everything
Gospel: Matt. 22:34-46.	Love, the Great Commandment
O. T.: II Chron. 1:7-12.	Solomon's Choice of Wisdom

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 4:22-28.	Put on the New Man
Gospel: Matt. 9:1-8.	Jesus Forgives and Heals the Paralytic
O. T.: Gen. 28:10-17.	Surely the Lord Is in This Place

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 5:15-21.	Walk not as Fools but as Wise
Gospel: Matt. 22:1-14.	Marriage of the King's Son
O. T.: Prov. 2:1-8.	In Praise of Wisdom

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 6:10-17.	The Armor of God
Gospel: John 4:46-54.	Jesus Heals the Nobleman's Son
O. T.: II Sam. 7:17-29.	David's Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 1:3-11.	Paul's Prayer for the Philippians
Gospel: Matt. 18:23-35.	The Unmerciful Servant
O. T.: Prov. 24:14-20.	The Security of the Just Man

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 3:17-21.	Our Citizenship Is in Heaven
Gospel: Matt. 22:15-22.	The Tribute to Caesar and to God
O. T.: II Ki. 23:1-3.	The Covenant Established with God

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Col. 1:9-14.	The Inheritance of the Saints in Light
Gospel: Matt. 9:18-26.	The Daughter of Jairus
O. T.: I Ki. 17:17-24.	Elijah Restores the Widow's Son

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 4:13-18.	The Faithful Resurrected and Transformed
Gospel: Matt. 24:15-28.	The Abomination of Desolation
O. T.: Job 14:1-5.	The Brevity of Man's Life

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Peter 3:3-14.	The Coming of the Day of God
II Thess. 1:3-10.	The Righteous Judgment of God
Gospel: Matt. 25:31-46.	The Son of Man on the Throne of His Glory
O. T.: Dan. 7:9-14.	The Judgment

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 5:1-11.	God Hath Appointed Us to Salvation
Gospel: Matt. 25:1-13.	The Wise and Foolish Virgins
O. T.: Isa. 35:3-10.	The Return of the Ransomed of the Lord

St. Thomas, Apostle — December 21

Epistle: Eph. 1:3-6.	Destined to Sonship
Gospel: John 20:24-31.	Jesus and Thomas
O. T.: Judg. 6:36-40.	An Old Testament Doubter

St. Stephen, Martyr — December 26

Epistle: Acts 6:8-7:60.	Stephen's Defense and Death
Gospel: Matt. 23:34-39.	Jesus Laments over Jerusalem
O. T.: II Chron. 24:18-25.	The Stoning of Zechariah

St. John, Apostle, Evangelist — December 27

Epistle: I John 1:1-10.	Our Fellowship with the Father
Gospel: John 21:19-24.	The Risen Christ Speaks concerning John
O. T.: Hosea 11:1-4.	The Lord's Love of Israel

The Conversion of St. Paul — January 25

Epistle: Acts 9:1-22.	The Conversion of Saul
Gospel: Matt. 19:27-30.	The Rewards of Discipleship
O. T.: Jer. 1:4-10.	The Calling of Jeremiah

The Presentation of Our Lord — February 2

Epistle: Mal. 3:1-4.	The Lord Shall Suddenly Come
Gospel: Luke 2:22-32.	Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon
O. T.: Hag. 2:6-9.	The Glory of the Second Temple

St. Matthias, Apostle — February 24

Epistle: Acts 1:15-26.	Matthias Appointed an Apostle
Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.	Come unto Me
O. T.: Isa. 66:1, 2.	I Will Look unto a Contrite Spirit

The Annunciation — March 25

Epistle: Isa. 7:10-16.	Behold, a Virgin Shall Conceive
Gospel: Luke 1:26-38.	The Birth of Jesus Promised
O. T.: Micah 5:3-5.	Until She . . . Hath Brought forth

St. Mark, Evangelist — April 25

Epistle: Eph. 4:7-13.	The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: John 15:1-11.	I Am the True Vine
O. T.: Isa. 55:1-5.	Ho, Everyone That Thirsteth

St. Philip and St. James, Apostles — May 1

Epistle: Eph. 2:19-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Gospel: John 14:1-14.	Lord, Show Us the Father
O. T.: Mal. 3:16-18.	The Jewels of the Lord

The Nativity of St. John, The Baptist — June 24

Epistle: Isa. 40:1-5.	God Comforts His People
Gospel: Luke 1:57-80.	The Dayspring from on High
O. T.: Mal. 4:4-6.	The Healing Sun of Righteousness

St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles — June 29

Epistle: Acts 12:1-11.	Peter Delivered from Prison
Gospel: Matt. 16:13-20.	Peter's Confession of Faith
O. T.: Isa. 22:2-23.	Key of the House of David

The Visitation — July 2

Epistle: Isa. 11:1-5.	The Branch out of the Root of Jesse
Gospel: Luke 1:39-56.	The Magnificat of Mary
O. T.: Judg. 13:2-7.	The Birth of Samson Announced

St. James the Elder, Apostle — July 25

Epistle: Rom. 8:28-39.	We Are more than Conquerors
Gospel: Matt. 20:20-33.	The Son of Man Is Come to Minister
O. T.: I Ki. 19:9-18.	God's Voice Comes to Elijah

St. Bartholomew, Apostle — August 24

Epistle: II Cor. 4:7-10.	The Life of Jesus Manifested in Our Body
Gospel: Luke 22:24-30.	Greatness in the Kingdom
O. T.: Prov. 3:1-7.	So Shalt Thou Find Favor

St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist — September 21

Epistle: Eph. 4:7-14.	The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: Matt. 9:9-13.	The Calling of Matthew
O. T.: Prov. 30:7-9.	Give Me neither Poverty nor Riches

St. Michael and All Angels — September 29

Epistle: Rev. 12:7-12.	Michael and His Angels Triumph
Gospel: Matt. 18:1-11.	Except Ye Become as Little Children
O. T.: II Ki. 6:14-17.	The Mountain Full of Chariots

St. Luke, Evangelist — October 18

Epistle: II Tim. 4:5-11.	A Crown of Righteousness
Gospel: Luke 10:1-9.	Commission of the Seventy
O. T.: Isa. 35:5-8.	The Return of the Ransomed of the Lord

St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles — October 28

Epistle: I Peter 1:3-9.	Born Anew to a Living Hope
Gospel: John 15:17-21.	The Hatred of the World
O. T.: Jer. 26:16-19.	This Man Is not Worthy to Die

The Festival of the Reformation — October 31

Epistle: Cal. 2:16-21.	Justification by Faith
Rev. 14:6, 7.	The Everlasting Gospel
Gospel: John 8:31-36.	The Truth Shall Make You Free
Matt. 11:12-15.	He That Hath Ears to Hear
O. T.: I Sam. 3:19-4:1.	A Prophet of the Lord

All Saints' Day — November 1

Epistle: Rev. 7:2-17.	The Multitude before the Throne
Gospel: Matt. 5:1-12.	The Beatitudes
O. T.: Deut. 33:1-3.	All His Saints Are in Thy Hand

St. Andrew, Apostle — November 30

Epistle: Rom. 10:10-18.	The Universality of the Gospel
Gospel: Matt. 4:18-22.	Peter and Andrew Called
O. T.: Ezek. 3:16-21.	God's Instruction to the Prophet

The Festival of Harvest

Epistle: II Cor. 9:6-11.	God Loveth a Cheerful Giver
Gospel: Luke 12:15-21.	The Rich Man's Folly
O. T.: Deut. 11:8-17.	God's Blessing upon the Land

A Day of Humiliation and Prayer

Epistle: Rev. 3:1-6.	The Letter to the Church in Sardis
Gospel: Luke 15:11-32.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son
O. T.: I Sam. 7:3-12.	The Philistines Are Subdued

A Day of General or Special Thanksgiving

Epistle: I Tim. 2:1-8.	Exhortation to Prayer
James 1:16-27.	Every Good and Perfect Gift
Gospel: Matt. 6:25-34.	Ye Cannot Serve God and Mammon
O. T.: Deut. 8:1-20.	Remember the Lord Thy God
Isa. 26:1-12.	Confidence in God
Isa. 61:10, 11.	The Robe of Righteousness

2. THE NITSCH SELECTIONS

Karl Immanuel Nitsch, a distinguished theologian of the nineteenth century, served the church as a teacher in the Theological Seminary in Wittenberg, Germany, and later at the Universities of Bonn and Berlin. In 1838 the Rhineland Provincial Synod commissioned him to make a selection of texts for the Church Year. His selections were made from both the Old and the New Testaments and came into general use in the church in Prussia. They are generally referred to as the *Rhine-Prussian Selections*.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Heb. 10:19-27.	By a New and Living Way
Gospel: Luke 1:67-79.	The Dayspring from on High
O. T.: Jer. 31:31-34.	The New Covenant

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: II Peter 1:2-9.	Increment of Christian Graces
Gospel: Luke 13:18-27.	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
O. T.: Isa. 2:2-5.	The Kingdom of the Lord Shall Be Established

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Heb. 12:15-25.	The Heavenly Jerusalem
Gospel: Luke 17:20-30.	The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst of You
O. T.: Hag. 2:2-10.	The Glory of the Second Temple

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: II Cor. 4:3-6.	God Hath Shined in Our Hearts
Gospel: Matt. 3:1-12.	John the Baptist's Call to Repentance
O. T.: Isa. 40:1-9.	God Comforts His People

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: I John 1:1-7.	Our Fellowship with the Father
Gospel: Matt. 1:18-23.	Emmanuel, God with Us
O. T.: Micah 5:1-3.	The Birth of Christ Foretold

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: Heb. 2:6-15.
 Gospel: John 1:1-18.
 O. T.: Prov. 8:22-36.

Jesus Crowned with Glory and Honor
 The Word Was Made Flesh
 The Eternity of Wisdom

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: II Peter 1:10-15.
 Gospel: Luke 2:25-32.
 O. T.: Isa. 63:7-17.

Abundant Salvation
 Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon
 The Lovingkindness of the Lord

New Year's Day

Epistle: Rom. 8:24-30.
 Gospel: Luke 4:16-21.
 O. T.: Psalm 90.

God Works for Good with Those Who
 Love Him
 The Acceptable Year of the Lord
 Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Dwelling
 Place

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: I John 3:1-8.
 Gospel: Matt. 3:13-17.
 O. T.: Psalm 146.

Now Are We the Sons of God
 This Is My Beloved Son
 The Lord, Our Helper, Praised

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: Col. 1:24-29.
 Gospel: Mark 1:14-22.
 O. T.: Isa. 49:1-13.

Christ, the Hope of Glory
 Jesus Calls His Disciples
 A Light to the Gentiles

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 1:20-31.
 Gospel: John 1:35-42.
 O. T.: Psalm 8.

We Preach Christ Crucified
 Behold the Lamb of God
 God's Great Love to Man

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Heb. 3:12-19.
 Gospel: John 1:43-51.
 O. T.: Psalm 53.

Made Partakers of Christ
 Philip and Nathanael
 God Disappointed in Man

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 1:14-20.
 Gospel: John 3:22-30.
 O. T.: Exod. 20:1-20.

The Gospel, the Power of God
 John's Witness of Christ
 The Ten Commandments

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 2:1-11.
 Gospel: John 4:5-26.
 O. T.: Psalm 32:1-11.

No Respect of Persons with God
 The Conversation at Jacob's Well
 The Blessedness of the Forgiven Man

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 2:12-16.	Judgment by the Law
Gospel: John 6:53-64.	My Words Are Spirit and Life
O. T.: Psalm 42.	My Soul Thirsteth for God

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: Rom. 3:19-26.	Justified by Grace
Gospel: John 7:33-39.	Rivers of Living Water
O. T.: Psalm 50.	God's Delight in Obedience

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 3:27-31.	Justification by Faith
Gospel: Luke 6:20-35.	Blessings and Woes
O. T.: Prov. 9:1-12.	The Just Contrasted with the Wicked

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-11.	While We Were yet Sinners
Gospel: Luke 9:18-26.	Conditions of Discipleship
O. T.: Psalm 119:89-105.	The Foundation of Faith

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: James 3:13-18.	Worldly and Heavenly Wisdom
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42.	Jesus Commends Mary
O. T.: Psalm 62:2-8.	God the Only Hope of Man

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Gal. 5:13-18.	Walk in the Spirit
Gospel: Mark 2:18-22.	Parables of the Cloth and the Bottles
O. T.: Eccl. 7:3-9.	Sorrow Is Better than Laughter

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I John 2:12-17.	Love not the World
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50.	The Woman Who Was a Sinner
O. T.: Psalm 39.	My Soul Thirsteth for God

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: James 1:2-8.	The Worth and Work of Trials
Gospel: Luke 10:17-22.	The Return of the Seventy
O. T.: Isa. 42:1-8.	The Office of the Savior

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: II Cor. 7:6-13.	Repentance unto Salvation
Gospel: John 8:12-20.	I Am the Light of the World
O. T.: Lam. 3:18-39.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: I Peter 1:17-25.

The Cost of Our Redemption

Gospel: John 11:41-53.

The Prophecy of Caiaphas

John 8:46-59.

Before Abraham Was, I Am

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 12:1-6.

Looking unto Jesus

Gospel: John 12:1-19.

Jesus Enters Jerusalem

O. T.: Zech. 9:8-12.

Behold Thy King Cometh unto Thee

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: None.

Gospel: John 13:1-15.

Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

Good Friday

Epistle: II Cor. 5:12-21.

Reconciliation through Christ

Gospel: Luke 23:44-49.

Jesus Dies on the Cross

O. T.: Isa. 53:1-7.

Christ's Suffering Foretold

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Cor. 15:12-20.

In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive

Gospel: John 20:1-10.

The Empty Sepulchre

O. T.: Isa. 53:8-12.

Christ's Soul Poured out unto Death

Monday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:35-49.

The Glory of the Resurrection Life

Gospel: John 20:11-18.

Mary and the Risen Lord

O. T.: Psalm 118:14-29.

He Hath not Given Me over unto Death

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:54-58.

The Victory over Death

Gospel: John 21:15-19.

Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter

O. T.: Ezek. 37:9-14.

I Will Open Your Graves

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 4:1-8.

How to Try the Spirits

Gospel: John 15:9-16.

Continue Ye in My Love

O. T.: Isa. 54:7-14.

God's Kindness Shall not Depart

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 4:9-16.

The Propitiation of Our Sins

Gospel: John 15:17-27.

The Hatred of the World

O. T.: Isa. 40:25-31.

God Giveth Power and Strength

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Phil. 2:1-4.	Love and Humility Enjoined
Gospel: John 17:1-10.	Christ Prays for His Disciples
O. T.: Psalm 40:2-12.	Lo, I Come

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Tim. 2:1-6.	One Mediator between God and Men
Gospel: Luke 11:1-13.	Encouragement to Prayer
O. T.: Psalm 116.	The Deliverer from Death

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Col. 3:1-4.	Seek Those Things Which Are above
Gospel: John 17:11-26.	Christ Prays for the Believers
O. T.: Psalm 110.	Sit Thou at My Right Hand

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: II Tim. 2:8-13.	The Word of God Is not Bound
Gospel: Acts 1:15-26.	Matthias Appointed an Apostle
O. T.: Psalm 122.	The Glory of God's House

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Eph. 2:19-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Gospel: Acts 2:1-13.	The Holy Spirit Fills the Believers
O. T.: Joel 3:1-5.	The Promise of Restoration

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Eph. 4:11-16.	The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: Acts 2:37-47.	Life in the Apostolic Church
O. T.: Ezek. 36:22-28.	God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 2:1-12.	The Hidden Wisdom of God
Gospel: Matt. 28:16-20.	The Great Commission
O. T.: Isa. 6:1-7.	The Prophet's Vision of the Lord's Glory

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 8:1-11.	Free from Condemnation
Gospel: Acts 3:1-11.	The Lame Man Healed
O. T.: Gen. 17:1-7.	God Renews His Covenant with Abram

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 10:1-11.	Necessity for the Gospel
Gospel: Acts 4:1-12.	Peter and John before the Rulers
O. T.: Gen. 22:1-18.	Abraham Offers His Son Isaac

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 2:13-18.	Christ Jesus Our Peace
Gospel: Acts 4:13-22.	Boldness of Peter and John
O. T.: Gen. 28:10-22.	Jacob's Vision and God's Covenant

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Col. 4:1-6.	Continuance in Prayer
Gospel: Acts 4:23-37.	Believers of One Heart and Soul
O. T.: Exod. 3:1-15.	Moses and the Burning Bush

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Gal. 2:17-21.	Justification by Faith
Gospel: Acts 5:1-11.	Ananias and Sapphira
O. T.: Exod. 17:1-7.	Water from the Rock in Horeb

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 10:12-18.	The Universality of the Gospel
Gospel: Acts 8:26-38.	Philip and the Ethiopian
O. T.: Deut. 6:1-9.	Love to God Enjoined

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 1:12-17.	Christ Came to Save Sinners
Gospel: Acts 9:1-19.	The Conversion of Saul
O. T.: Deut. 32:1-7.	Remember the Days of Old

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 11:11-21.	The Parable of the Olive Tree
Gospel: Acts 14:8-18.	Paul and Barnabas Accounted Gods
O. T.: Deut. 33:1-3.	All His Saints Are in Thy Hands

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 11:25-32.	Restoration of Israel
Gospel: Acts 16:16-34.	Paul and Silas at Philippi
O. T.: I Sam. 3:1-19.	The Lord Appears to Samuel

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 3:10-17.	Other Foundations Can no Man Lay
Gospel: Acts 17:21-34.	Paul at Athens
O. T.: I Sam. 7:5-12.	The Philistines Are Subdued

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 5:14-24.	The Blameless Christian Life
Gospel: Acts 20:15-38.	Charge to the Elders at Miletus
O. T.: II Sam. 7:1-16.	God's Covenant with David

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Peter 3:15-18.	Christ on the Right Hand of God
Gospel: Acts 26:24-31.	Paul's Appeal to Agrippa
O. T.: II Sam. 7:17-29.	David's Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 8:31-39.	We Are more than Conquerors
Gospel: Luke 10:23-37.	Parable of the Good Samaritan
O. T.: II Sam. 24:10-14.	David Numbers the People and Repents

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 6:1-9.	Domestic Duties
Gospel: Luke 15:11-32.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son
O. T.: I Ki. 3:5-14.	Solomon Asks for Wisdom

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Thess. 3:6-16.	Be not Weary in Well-Doing
Gospel: Luke 9:46-56.	The Son of Man Is Come to Save
O. T.: I Ki. 19:1-18.	God's Voice Comes to Elijah

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 3:1-10.	The Sins of the Tongue
Gospel: Luke 9:57-62.	Fitness for the Kingdom
O. T.: II Chron. 15:1-8.	The Altar of the Lord Is Renewed

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 8:1-9.	The Grace of Liberal Giving
Gospel: John 9:1-12.	Jesus Heals the Man Born Blind
O. T.: Psalm 130.	There Is Forgiveness with Thee

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-16.	The Gain of Godliness
Gospel: Mark 10:17-27.	The Rich Young Ruler
O. T.: Prov. 16:1-9.	God's Mind and Man's Mind

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 9:6-15.	God Loveth a Cheerful Giver
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44.	Jesus and the Widow's Mite
O. T.: Ezek. 33:12-20.	Turn Ye from Your Evil Ways

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 4:1-11.	A Rest to the People of God
Gospel: Luke 12:15-23.	The Rich Man's Folly
O. T.: Psalm 121.	Divine Help and Protection

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 2:8-13.	Judged by the Law of Liberty
Gospel: Mark 12:28-37.	Jesus Refutes the Scribes
O. T.: Psalm 125.	The Lord the Protector

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 1:9-12.	The Crown of Life
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10.	Jesus and Zacchaeus
O. T.: Psalm 127.	Except the Lord Build the House

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 12:7-13.	The Peaceful Fruit of Righteousness
Gospel: Luke 19:11-27.	Blessed Are the Faithful
O. T.: Psalm 123.	Our Eyes Wait upon the Lord

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 5:7-11.	Patient Waiting for the Lord
Gospel: Luke 16:10-17.	Ye Cannot Serve God and Mammon
O. T.: Isa. 8:9-17.	I Will Wait upon the Lord

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 5:6-11.	We Walk by Faith, not by Sight
Gospel: Luke 12:35-46.	Be Ye Therefore Ready
O. T.: Psalm 126.	They That Sow in Tears Shall Reap in Joy

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 4:13-18.	Things Unseen Are Eternal
Gospel: Luke 12:49-57.	Divisions because of the Gospel
O. T.: Isa. 63:1-9.	The Year of My Redeemed Is Come

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 13:5-13.	The New Testament Benediction
Gospel: John 14:1-6.	The Way, the Truth, the Life
O. T.: Psalm 103.	Praise God for His Mercy

3. THE SAXON PERICOPESES

The *Perikopenbuch* (Pericope Book) of the Evangelical Church in the Province of Saxony was first published in 1842 and contained six series of selections for the Church Year. Two of these were based on the historic pericopes

with only slight variations and are therefore not included here. The third series, here designated *d*, offers new texts from the Gospels and the Book of Acts. The series designated *a*, *b*, and *c* were known as the *historic-didactic* selections and consist of texts from both the Old and the New Testaments used interchangeably.

The First Sunday in Advent

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| a. Jer. 31:31-34. | The New Covenant |
| b. Psalm 100. | Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord |
| c. John 17:3. | This Is Life Eternal |
| d. Luke 1:67-75. | The Dayspring from on High |

The Second Sunday in Advent

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| a. Isa. 40:1-5. | God Comforts His People |
| b. Mal. 4:1, 2. | The Healing Sun of Righteousness |
| c. I Tim. 1:15. | Christ Came to Save Sinners |
| d. Matt. 3:1-10. | John the Baptist Preaching |

The Third Sunday in Advent

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| a. Hag. 2:7-10. | The Glory of the Second Temple |
| b. Gen. 49:18. | I Have Waited for Thy Salvation |
| c. I Tim. 2:4, 5. | One Mediator between God and Men |
| d. Luke 3:15-17. | One Mightier than I Cometh |

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

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| a. Isa. 12:2-6. | God Is My Salvation |
| b. Deut. 18:18, 19. | A Prophet from among Their Brethren |
| c. I John 4:9. | God's Love Manifested |
| d. John 1:15-18. | Grace and Truth by Jesus Christ |

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

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| a. Luke 2:1-14. | The Savior Is Born |
| b. Micah 5:1-3. | The Birth of Christ Foretold |
| c. John 3:16-18. | God so Loved the World |
| d. Luke 2:1-14. | The Savior Is Born |

The Second Christmas Day

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| a. Luke 2:15-20. | The Shepherds Go to Bethlehem |
| b. Isa. 9:6, 7. | Unto Us a Child Is Born |
| c. I John 5:1. | Whosoever Believeth |
| d. Luke 2:15-20. | The Shepherds Go to Bethlehem |

The Sunday after Christmas

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| a. | Isa. 40:27-31. | God Giveth Power and Strength |
| b. | Psalm 103:8-18. | Praise God for His Mercy |
| c. | Jude 24, 25. | Unto Him That Is Able |
| d. | John 1:9-14. | The Word Was Made Flesh |

New Year's Day

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| a. | Matt. 16:24-26. | If Any Man Will Come after Me |
| b. | Psalm 102:26-29. | As a Vesture Shalt Thou Change Them |
| c. | Heb. 10:35, 36. | Ye Have Need of Patience |
| d. | John 4:34-36. | My Meat Is to Do the Will of Him That Sent Me |

The Sunday after New Year

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| a. | Gen. 17:1-4. | God Renews His Covenant with Abraham |
| b. | Isa. 45:5-7. | I Am the Lord, and there Is none else |
| c. | Rom. 14:7, 8. | None of Us Liveth to Himself |
| d. | Luke 12:16-21. | The Rich Man's Folly |

The Epiphany of Our Lord

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| a. | John 1:4, 5. | The Light Shineth |
| b. | Isa. 55:3-5. | A Witness to the People |
| c. | Rom. 10:14-18. | The Universality of the Gospel |
| d. | Luke 2:25-32. | Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon |

The First Sunday after Epiphany

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| a. | Gen. 28:10-17. | Surely, the Lord Is in This Place |
| b. | Psalm 139:7-12. | In Praise of God's Omniscience |
| c. | Col. 2:18. | Let no Man Beguile You |
| d. | Matt. 3:13-17. | This Is My Beloved Son |

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

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| a. | Gen. 50:15-21. | Joseph Comforts His Brethren |
| b. | Prov. 3:5-7. | So Shalt Thou Find Favor |
| c. | James 3:17, 18. | Wisdom That Is from above |
| d. | Matt. 4:1-12. | The Temptation of Jesus in the Wilderness |

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

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| a. | Exod. 34:4-10. | The Tables of the Law Renewed |
| b. | Isa. 3:10, 11. | It Shall Be Well with the Righteous |
| c. | Heb. 3:5, 6. | Christ the Faithful Son |
| d. | John 1:35-43. | John's Disciples Follow Jesus |

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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| a. Josh. 1:7-9. | God's Promises to Joshua |
| b. Psalm 12:2-6. | The Words of the Lord Are Pure |
| c. I Thess. 5:6-9. | God Hath Appointed Us to Salvation |
| d. John 1:47-51. | Philip and Nathanael |

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

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| a. I Sam. 2:26-30. | The Failure of the House of Eli |
| b. Jer. 2:19. | Backsliding Israel Rebuked |
| c. Rom. 12:11, 12. | Fervent in Spirit |
| d. Luke 4:16-30. | The Acceptable Year of the Lord |

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

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| a. I Sam. 12:20-25. | Serve the Lord with All Your Heart |
| b. Psalm 21:2-8. | The Desire of the King's Heart |
| c. Rom. 13:1, 2. | No Power but of God |
| d. Mark 6:20-29. | The Death of John the Baptist |

Septuagesima Sunday

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| a. I Chron. 17:15-20. | David's Prayer of Thanks |
| b. Jer. 9:23, 24. | Cause for True Glorifying |
| c. I Peter 5:6, 7. | Be Sober, Be Vigilant |
| d. John 2:23-25. | Many Believed in His Name |

Sexagesima Sunday

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| a. II Sam. 12:1-7. | Nathan's Parable |
| b. Ezek. 18:20. | The Soul that Sinneth Shall Die |
| c. I Cor. 6:19, 20. | The Sanctity of the Body |
| d. John 4:5-15. | The Inward Well of Living Water |

Quinquagesima Sunday

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| a. I Ki. 2:1-4. | David Charges Solomon |
| b. Eccl. 7:3-5. | Sorrow Is Better than Laughter |
| c. Heb. 13:7. | The Duty to Ministers |
| d. John 4:19-30. | Worship in Spirit and in Truth |

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

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| a. I Ki. 3:5-15. | Solomon Asks for Wisdom |
| b. Psalm 85:8-14. | The Nearness of God's Salvation |
| c. Rom. 12:7, 8. | The Use of Varied Gifts |
| d. John 5:5-18. | Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda |

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

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| a. Ezek. 33:7-9. | I Have Set Thee a Watchman |
| b. Isa. 58:6-9. | The Fast Acceptable to God |
| c. II Peter 1:19-21. | The Light of the Prophetic Word |
| d. Luke 9:51-56. | The Son of Man Is Come to Save |

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

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| a. Neh. 9:30-34. | The Levites Confess Their Wickedness |
| b. Psalm 77:7-14. | Will the Lord Cast off forever? |
| c. I Peter 1:13-16. | Be Ye Holy for I Am Holy |
| d. John 11:1-16. | Jesus and His Friends in Bethany |

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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| a. Job 22:21-30. | He Shall Save the Humble |
| b. Psalm 23. | The Lord Is My Shepherd |
| c. II Cor. 5:19-21. | Reconciliation through Christ |
| d. John 11:32-46. | Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life |

Judica. Passion Sunday

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| a. Isa. 53:4, 5. | Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted |
| b. Psalm 73:23-26. | Whom Have I in Heaven but Thee? |
| c. I John 3:5, 6. | In Him Is no Sin |
| d. John 11:47-57. | The Prophecy of Caiaphas |

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

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| a. Isa. 53:11, 12. | Christ's Soul Poured out unto Death |
| b. Psalm 118:16-22. | The Lord Hath not Given Me over unto
Death |
| c. Heb. 5:7-9. | The Author of Eternal Salvation |
| d. John 12:1-13. | Mary Anoints the Feet of Jesus |

Thursday in Holy Week

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| a. Matt. 26:26-28. | The Institution of the Holy Communion |
| b. John 13:1-17. | Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet |
| c. I Cor. 10:16, 17. | The Cup of Blessing |
| d. Mark 14:17-26. | The Last Supper |

Good Friday

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| a. John 19:30. | It Is Finished |
| b. I Cor. 1:30. | Whom God Made Our Redemption |
| c. II Cor. 5:14, 15. | Christ Died for All |
| d. Mark 15:27-37. | The Death of Jesus |

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

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| a. Luke 24:1-9. | The Resurrection of the Lord |
| b. II Tim. 1:9, 10. | Life and Immortality Brought to Light |
| c. John 11:25, 26. | I Am the Resurrection and the Life |
| d. Matt. 28:1-10. | The Women at the Sepulchre |

Monday after Easter

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| a. Luke 24:36-40. | The Risen Christ Appears to the Eleven |
| b. I Cor. 6:14. | God Will also Raise Us |
| c. John 6:57, 58. | He That Eateth Me Shall Live by Me |
| d. John 20:11-18. | Mary and the Risen Lord |

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

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| a. John 14:1-6. | The Way, the Truth, the Life |
| b. Rom. 1:4. | Sonship and Resurrection |
| c. Col. 3:1-4. | Seek Those Things Which Are above |
| d. John 20:19-23. | Authority to Forgive and Retain Sins |

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

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| a. Matt. 18:10-14. | The Lost Sheep |
| b. Prov. 22:17-19. | Apply Thine Heart unto Knowledge |
| c. Eph. 6:1-4. | Domestic Duties |
| d. Matt. 18:1-7. | Except Ye Become as Little Children |

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

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| a. John 12:24-26. | He That Loveth His Life Shall Lose It |
| b. II Cor. 4:7-11. | The Life of Jesus Manifested in Our Body |
| c. I Cor. 15:19. | If in This Life only We Have Hope |
| d. John 21:20-22. | The Risen Christ Speaks concerning John |

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

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| a. John 5:28, 29. | The Resurrection Foretold |
| b. I Cor. 15:40-44. | The Glory of the Resurrection Life |
| c. Rev. 21:4. | A New Heaven and a New Earth |
| d. Matt. 28:18-20. | The Great Commission |

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

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| a. Matt. 7:7-11. | Ask, and It Shall Be Given You |
| b. Jer. 5:24. | The Lord Giveth Rain in His Season |
| c. James 5:7, 8. | Patient Waiting for the Lord |
| d. Luke 11:1-4. | Christ Teaches how to Pray |

The Ascension of Our Lord

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| a. John 17:11-13. | Christ Prays for His Disciples |
| b. Eph. 1:20-23. | The Church, the Body of Christ |
| c. Heb. 6:17-20. | Jesus a High Priest forever |
| d. Luke 24:50-53. | The Ascension of Christ |

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

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| a. John 14:12-17. | The Promised Comforter |
| b. II Peter 1:2-4. | Gifts and Promises |
| c. Heb. 8:1, 2. | The Priesthood of Christ |
| d. Acts 1:15-26. | Matthias Appointed an Apostle |

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

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| a. John 14:23-27. | The Work of the Holy Spirit |
| b. I Cor. 12:3-7. | Concerning Spiritual Gifts |
| c. Heb. 2:2-4. | The Witness of the Spirit |
| d. Acts 2:1-13. | The Holy Spirit Fills the Believers |

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

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| a. Luke 13:18-21. | The Parable of the Mustard Seed |
| b. Ezek. 36:26, 27. | God's Promise of a New Spirit |
| c. II Cor. 6:16. | Temple of the Living God |
| d. Acts 2:14-18. | Peter's Sermon on Pentecost |

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

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| a. I John 4:12-16. | God Is Love |
| b. I Cor. 2:10, 11. | The Spirit Searcheth the Deep Things of God |
| c. II Cor. 13:14. | The New Testament Benediction |
| d. Acts 2:38, 39. | Peter's Preaching Bears Fruit |

The First Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Luke 17:20, 21. | The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst of You |
| b. Psalm 78:1-7. | Declaring God's Law |
| c. Heb. 10:23-25. | Hold Fast without Wavering |
| d. Acts 2:42-47. | Life in the Apostolic Church |

The Second Sunday after Trinity

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|-------------------|---------------------------|
| a. John 5:23, 24. | From Death to Life |
| b. Jer. 7:25-28. | A Nation That Obeyeth not |
| c. II Cor. 13:8. | Truth Invincible |
| d. Acts 3:1-10. | The Lame Man Healed |

The Third Sunday after Trinity

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|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| a. John 5:39-44. | The Scriptures Testify of Christ |
| b. Matt. 5:13-16. | The Salt, the Light, the Candle |
| c. II Tim. 3:15-17. | The Value of the Holy Scriptures |
| d. Acts 4:8-22. | Boldness of Peter and John |

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. John 6:47-51. | I Am the Bread of Life |
| b. Matt. 7:24-27. | The Two Foundations |
| c. I Tim. 1:18, 19. | Holding Faith and a Good Conscience |
| d. Acts 5:16-21. | Imprisonment and Deliverance of the Apostles |

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. John 8:31-36. | The Truth Shall Make You Free |
| b. Matt. 6:22, 23. | If the Light in Thee Be Darkness |
| c. Heb. 13:9. | Strengthened by Grace |
| d. Acts 5:34-42. | Samuel's Wise Counsel |

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

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|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| a. John 10:23-30. | The Gift of Eternal Life |
| b. Matt. 5:44-48. | God's Impartial Providence |
| c. I John 1:8-10. | Peril of Self-righteousness |
| d. Acts 6:1-7. | The Seven Deacons Chosen |

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 16:15-19. | Peter's Confession of Faith |
| b. Matt. 6:1-8. | Doing of Alms in Secret |
| c. Heb. 13:8. | The Changeless Christ |
| d. Acts 6:8-15 and 7:55-59. | Stephen's Defense and Death |

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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|-------------------|----------------------------|
| a. Matt. 9:9-13. | The Calling of Matthew |
| b. Matt. 6:19-21. | Treasures Which Abide |
| c. Rom. 8:8, 9. | If the Spirit Dwell in You |
| d. Acts 8:14-25. | Peter and John at Samaria |

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Luke 12:42-48. | The Reward of the Faithful Steward |
| b. Gen. 37:4-11. | Joseph's Dreams |
| c. Rom. 6:16-18. | Servants of Righteousness |
| d. Acts 8:26-38. | Philip and the Ethiopian |

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

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|----------------------|------------------------------|
| a. Luke 13:31-35. | Jesus Laments over Jerusalem |
| b. I Sam. 19:1-6. | Jonathan Saves David |
| c. I Peter 3:15, 16. | Be Ready to Answer |
| d. Acts 9:1-8. | The Conversion of Saul |

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Luke 13:23-25. | The Closed Door of the Kingdom |
| b. I Sam. 24:17-20. | David Spares Saul's Life |
| c. Rom. 14:17-19. | The Kingdom of God Is not Meat and Drink |
| d. Acts 9:19-28. | Saul's Life Is Sought at Damascus |

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Luke 15:11-32. | The Parable of the Prodigal Son |
| b. II Sam. 18:31-33. | O Absalom, My Son, My Son! |
| c. James 2:10. | Guilty of the Whole Law |
| d. Acts 10:25-33. | Peter and Cornelius |

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Luke 9:57-62. | Fitness for the Kingdom |
| b. Gen. 43:26-30. | Joseph Weeps over Benjamin |
| c. I Cor. 7:24. | Abide therein with God |
| d. Acts 12:1-11. | Peter Delivered from Prison |

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 11:16-19. | Wisdom Is Justified of Her Children |
| b. I Sam. 3:11-13. | Judgment of Eli because of His Sons |
| c. James 1:5, 6. | If Any Lack Wisdom |
| d. Acts 13:42-49. | Lo, We Turn to the Gentiles |

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 11:25-30. | Come unto Me |
| b. Dan. 5:13-17. | Daniel Brought before the King |
| c. Luke 17:10. | We Are Unprofitable Servants |
| d. Acts 14:11-18. | Paul and Barnabas Accounted Gods |

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. John 9:1-5. | Jesus Heals the Man Born Blind |
| b. II Sam. 12:18-23. | David's Child Dies |
| c. James 4:7-10. | Steps to Divine Favor |
| d. Acts 14:19-23. | Paul Stoned at Lystra |

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Luke 12:54-57. | Lack of Spiritual Discernment |
| b. Exod. 2:16-20. | Moses Meets His Wife |
| c. I Thess. 4:11, 12. | An Appeal to Labor in Brotherly Love |
| d. Acts 15:6-12. | Paul and Barnabas Report to the Church |

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 10:16-22. | The Twelve Instructed and Sent forth |
| b. Gen. 18:20-32. | Abraham Pleads for Sodom |
| c. Matt. 5:33-37. | Warning against Oaths and Profanity |
| d. Acts 17:16-28. | Paul at Athens |

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Mark 9:38-41. | Jesus Teaches Tolerance |
| b. Gen. 33:9-11. | Jacob and Esau Reconciled |
| c. James 3:5-10. | The Sins of the Tongue |
| d. Acts 19:1-11. | The Ephesians Receive the Spirit |

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 19:3-8. | The Sacredness of Marriage |
| b. Gen. 13:8, 9. | Abraham Pleads for Peace with Lot |
| c. Matt. 5:27-30. | But I Say unto You |
| d. Acts 19:23-40. | The Silversmith at Ephesus |

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

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|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| a. Matt. 12:46-50. | Who Are My Brethren? |
| b. Ruth 1:15-17. | Entreat Me not to Leave Thee |
| c. Eph. 5:25. | As Christ Loved the Church |
| d. Acts 20:17-38. | Charge to the Elders at Miletus |

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 21:28-31. | Parable of the Two Sons |
| b. Gen. 39:2-5. | Joseph Prospers with Potiphar |
| c. Matt. 23:27, 28. | Whited Sepulchres |
| d. Acts 21:8-14. | Paul at Caesarea |

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Mark 12:41-44. | Jesus and the Widow's Mite |
| b. Exod. 5:1-4. | Pharaoh Chides Moses and Aaron |
| c. James 4:2, 3. | Evil Desire the Source of Strife |
| d. Acts 24:10-16. | Paul's First Hearing before Felix |

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 20:20-23. | Human Ambition |
| b. Isa. 55:8, 9. | Call to Faith and Repentance |
| c. Phil. 1:20, 21. | To Me to Live Is Christ |
| d. Acts 24:24-27. | Paul's Second Hearing before Felix |

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Matt. 13:47-50. | The Parable of the Dragnet |
| b. Eccl. 8:11-13. | Welfare of Godly and Wicked Contrasted |
| c. James 1:27. | Pure Religion before God |
| d. Acts 25:6-12. | Paul Appeals to Caesar |

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Rev. 3:15-17. | Luke warmth Condemned |
| b. Psalm 16:8-11. | My Flesh also Shall Rest in Hope |
| c. I Cor. 15:58. | The Victory over Death |
| d. Acts 26:24-32. | Paul's Appeal to Agrippa |

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

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| a. Rev. 21:5-7. | It Is Done |
| b. Eccl. 12:13, 14. | The Whole Duty of Man |
| c. II Thess. 2:16, 17. | God Comfort Your Hearts |
| d. Acts 28:16-31. | Paul Preaches at Rome |

The Annunciation — March 25

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| Epistle: Heb. 5:5. | Thou Art My Son, today Have I Begotten Thee |
| Gospel: Luke 1:46-55. | The Magnificat of Mary |
| O. T.: Jer. 33:14-16. | The Branch of Righteousness |
| Micah 4:1-14. | Peace and Restoration Foretold |
| Zech. 2:10-13. | Rejoice, O Daughter of Zion |

The Festival of the Reformation — October 31

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| Epistle: I Cor. 1:10-15. | Is Christ Divided? |
| I Cor. 3:11-15. | Other Foundation Can no Man Lay |
| II Cor. 4:1-6. | We Preach Christ Jesus the Lord |
| Gal. 2:11-18. | Justification by Faith |
| Eph. 4:11-15. | The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts |
| Col. 2:6-9. | Rooted and Built up in Jesus |
| Gospel: Luke 12:32. | The Little Flock |
| John 17:6-10. | They Have Kept Thy Word |
| O.T.: II Ki. 23:1-3. | The Covenant Established with God |
| Ezek. 34:11-16. | A Shepherd in Israel Promised |

All Saints' Day — November 1

Epistle: I Thess. 4:13, 14.	The Faithful Resurrected and Trans- formed
Heb. 4:9-11.	A Rest to the People of God
James 5:11.	We Count Them Happy Which Endure
I John 2:17.	He That Doeth the Will of God Abideth forever
Rev. 14:13.	Blessed Are the Dead Which Die in the Lord
Gospel: John 16:33.	I Have Overcome the World
John 17:24.	That They May Behold My Glory
O. T.: Prov. 10:7.	The Memory of the Just Is Blessed
Isa. 57:2.	The Righteous Shall Enter into Peace
Lam. 3:31, 32.	The Lord Will not Cast off forever

4. THE HAMBURG PERICOPEs

Four series of pericopes were introduced in 1843 in the provincial Church of Hamburg. Of these, two were based on the historic Epistle and Gospel selections with only slight variations and are therefore not listed. Those here given consist of Epistle and Gospel selections with the addition of fifteen texts from the Book of Acts in the non-festival half of the Church Year. In addition, five texts from the Psalms and the Prophets are interspersed among the Gospel selections. The Epistles also contain a number of texts from the Prophets as well as one from the Book of Revelation.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Jer. 31:31-34.	The New Covenant
Gospel: Matt. 3:1-6.	John the Baptist Preaching

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Eph. 1:3-6.	Destined to Sonship
Gospel: Matt. 3:7-12.	John the Baptist's Call to Repentance

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Cor. 3:11-17.	Other Foundation Can no Man Lay
Gospel: Matt. 10:32-42.	Conditions of Discipleship

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Tim. 1:12-17.

Gospel: Luke 17:20-24.

Christ Came to Save Sinners

The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst
of You**Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord**

Epistle: Heb. 1:1-6.

Gospel: John 1:1-14.

God Hath Spoken unto Us by His Son

The Word Was Made Flesh

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: I John 4:9-11.

Gospel: Luke 19:10.

The Propitiation of Our Sins

To Seek and to Save

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: Jude 17-21.

Gospel: Psalm 90:1-12.

Keep Yourselves in the Love of God

Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Dwelling
Place**New Year's Day**

Epistle: Heb. 13:14.

Gospel: Psalm 111.

Here We Have no Lasting City

The Lord, the Great and Gracious

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: James 4:13-17.

Gospel: Matt. 16:1-4.

What Is Your Life?

The Signs of the Times

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: Isaiah 55:3-11.

Gospel: Isaiah 42:1-8.

My Word Shall not Return Void

The Office of the Savior

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Peter 2:1-4.

Gospel: Matt. 3:13-17.

Desire the Sincere Milk of the Word

This Is My Beloved Son

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Eph. 4:11-15.

Gospel: Mark 6:17-29.

The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts

The Death of John the Baptist

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Eph. 2:4-10.

Gospel: Mark 1:14-22.

The Riches of God's Grace

Jesus Calls His Disciples

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-11.

Gospel: John 1:43-51.

The Gain of Godliness

Philip and Nathanael

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: II Cor. 6:14-18.	The Appeal to Separation
Gospel: Matt. 10:16-31.	The Twelve Instructed and Sent forth

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: Heb. 4:12-19.	Our Great High Priest
Gospel: Luke 9:57-62.	Fitness for the Kingdom

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-5.	The Blessings of Justification
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42.	Jesus Commends Mary

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: II Peter 1:2-9.	Increment of Christian Graces
Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.	Come unto Me

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: Heb. 2:9-18.	Jesus Made Perfect through Suffering
Gospel: Matt. 16:21-27.	Jesus Foretells His Suffering

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Cor. 1:18-25.	We Preach Christ Crucified
Gospel: Luke 20:9-20.	The Wicked Husbandmen

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Peter 4:1-5.	Christ Hath Suffered for Us
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50.	The Woman Who Was a Sinner

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Peter 1:13-25.	The Cost of Our Redemption
Gospel: Luke 13:1-9.	Parable of the Fig Tree

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Tim. 6:12-16.	Fight the Good Fight of Faith
Gospel: John 12:42-50.	I Came not to Judge but to Save the World

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 8:31-39.	We Are more than Conquerors
Gospel: John 8:5-36.	The Truth Shall Make You Free

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 12:1-6.	Looking unto Jesus
Gospel: John 12:23-33.	If I Be Lifted up

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: I Cor. 10:16-22.

The Cup of Blessing

Gospel: Luke 22:14-22.

The Institution of the Holy Communion

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Peter 1:3-9.

Born Anew to a Living Hope

Gospel: Matt. 28:1-10.

The Women at the Sepulchre

Monday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:12-22.

In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive

Gospel: John 20:11-18.

Mary and the Risen Lord

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:50-58.

The Victory over Death

Gospel: John 11:25-27.

I Am the Resurrection and the Life

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Rom. 10:9-17.

Necessity for the Gospel

Gospel: Luke 24:36-47.

The Risen Christ Appears to the Eleven

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: II Cor. 4:6-11.

The Life of Jesus Manifested in Our Body

Gospel: John 21:1-14.

A Morning Meal with the Risen Christ

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 2:14-17.

Love not the World

Gospel: John 21:15-19.

Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: James 1:2-12.

The Worth and Work of Trials

Gospel: John 21:20-25.

The Risen Christ Speaks concerning John

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Col. 3:1-4.

Seek Those Things Which Are above

Gospel: Luke 24:49-53.

The Ascension of Christ

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: I John 5:9-15.

He That Hath the Son Hath Life

Gospel: Mark 4:26-32.

The Growth of the Seed

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Eph. 1:9-14.

The Earnest of Our Inheritance

Gospel: Acts 2:38-41.

Peter's Preaching Bears Fruit

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Eph. 2:19-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Gospel: Acts 2:42-47.	Life in the Apostolic Church

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 2:7-14.	The Hidden Wisdom of God
Gospel: Matt. 28:16-20.	The Great Commission

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 2:8-13.	Judged by the Law of Liberty
Gospel: Acts 4:1-12.	Peter and John before the Rulers

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 2:14-24.	Faith and Works
Gospel: Acts 4:13-21.	Boldness of Peter and John

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 4:1-10.	Steps to Divine Favor
Gospel: Matt. 19:3-9.	The Sacredness of Marriage

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Tim. 3:12-17.	The Value of the Holy Scriptures
Gospel: Luke 4:16-21.	The Acceptable Year of the Lord

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Gal. 2:16-21.	Justification by Faith
Gospel: Luke 12:15-21.	The Rich Man's Folly

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 4:9-12.	An Appeal to Labor in Brotherly Love
Gospel: John 4:5-24.	The Conversation at Jacob's Well

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Peter 2:5-10.	Ye Are a Chosen Generation
Gospel: Acts 5:34-42.	Gamaliel's Wise Counsel

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 4:1-9.	A Good Minister of Christ
Gospel: Luke 17:7-10.	We Are Unprofitable Servants

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Tim. 2:3-13.	The Word of God Is not Bound
Gospel: Acts 8:14-24.	Peter and John at Samaria

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 1:16-21.

The Gospel, the Power of God

Gospel: Acts 8:36-39.

Philip Baptizes the Ethiopian Eunuch

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 3:23-31.

Justification by Faith

Gospel: Luke 9:49-56.

The Son of Man Is Come to Save

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 2:12-18.

The Sons of God as Lights in the World

Gospel: Acts 9:1-20.

The Conversion of Saul

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 2:1-4.

Love and Humility Enjoined

Gospel: Luke 15:11-19.

The Prodigal Son Leaves Home

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 3:8-16.

The High Calling of God in Christ Jesus

Gospel: Luke 15:20-32.

The Prodigal Son Returns Home

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 14:1-12.

None of Us Liveth to Himself

Gospel: Acts 14:8-20.

Paul and Barnabas Accounted Gods

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 14:13-23.

The Kingdom of God is not Meat and
Drink

Gospel: Acts 16:16-34.

Paul and Silas at Philippi

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 7:18-25.

The Law of Sin in the Flesh

Gospel: Acts 17:16-28.

Paul's Sermon on Mars' Hill

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 13:1-7.

Duties of Citizenship

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45.

The Son of Man Came to Serve

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Col. 3:17-4:1.

Christian Duties in the Home

Gospel: Acts 19:23-40.

The Silversmith at Ephesus

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 3:13-18.

Worldly and Heavenly Wisdom

Gospel: Acts 20:17-38.

Charge to the Elders at Miletus

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 3:1-3.	Now Are We the Sons of God
Gospel: Acts 21:8-14.	Paul at Caesarea

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Thess. 3:6-13.	Be not Weary in Well-Doing
Gospel: Acts 24:24-27.	Paul's Second Hearing before Felix

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 1:21-30.	Paul's Readiness for Life or Death
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44.	Jesus and the Widow's Mite

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Tim. 4:1-8.	A Crown of Righteousness
Gospel: Luke 20:27-40.	Conditions of the Future Life

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 5:1-10.	We Walk by Faith, not by Sight
Gospel: John 14:1-6.	The Way, the Truth, the Life

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 21:1-7.	A New Heaven and a New Earth
Gospel: Matt. 24:42-51.	Admonition to Watchfulness

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 12:22-25.	The Heavenly Jerusalem
Gospel: Matt. 5:8-12.	The Christian's Reward in Heaven

5. THE WUERTTEMBERG SELECTIONS

The Wuerttemberg Selections date back to 1843 when they were published in the *Kirchenbuch* (Church Book) of the Evangelical Church of that province. As in other provincial churches, the historic pericopes were supplemented by newer selections which take the entire Scriptures into purview although the Wuerttemberg selections include only three texts from the Old Testament.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 14:17-19.	The Kingdom of God Is not Meat and Drink
Gospel: Luke 17:20-25.	The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst of You

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 14:7-12.	None of Us Liveth to Himself
Gospel: Luke 12:35-48.	Be Ye Therefore Ready

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Acts 3:19-26.	Peter Preaches Repentance
Gospel: Luke 3:2-18.	John Preaches and Baptizes

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I John 1:1-4.	Our Fellowship with the Father
Gospel: John 3:22-36.	John's Witness of Christ

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: Eph. 1:3-8.	Destined to Sonship
Gospel: Luke 2:1-14.	The Savior Is Born
John 1:14-18.	Grace and Truth by Jesus Christ

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: I Tim. 3:16.	Great Is the Mystery of Godliness
Gospel: Luke 1:46-55.	The Magnificat of Mary

New Year's Day

Epistle: Heb. 13:8, 14 and 10:35.	The Changeless Christ
Gospel: Psalm 90:2-6.	Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Dwelling Place

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: I Thess. 5:5-10.	Children of Light and of the Day
Gospel: John 12:44-50.	The Judgment on Unbelief

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: Isa. 42:1-8.	The Office of the Savior
Gospel: Matt. 2:1-12.	The Wise Men Worship Christ

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Eph. 6:1-4.	Domestic Duties
Gospel: Mark 10:13-16.	Jesus Blesses Little Children

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 1:16-25.	The Gospel, the Power of God
Gospel: Luke 4:14-24.	The Acceptable Year of the Lord

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-5.	The Blessings of Justification
Gospel: John 4:5-14.	The Inward Well of Living Water

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 2:4-11.	No Respect of Persons with God
Gospel: John 4:15-26.	Worship in Spirit and in Truth

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Acts 16:9-15.	The Macedonian Call
Gospel: Matt. 9:35-38.	The Harvest Is Plenteous

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: Acts 13:42-52.	Behold, We Turn to the Gentiles
Gospel: Luke 6:1-10.	The Son of Man Is Lord of the Sabbath

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: Acts 9:36-42.	The Miracles of Peter
Gospel: Matt. 11:16-24.	Jesus Denounces the Cities

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: Heb. 10:19-29.	By a New and Living Way
Gospel: John 8:21-29.	When the Son of Man Is Lifted up

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: II Cor. 11:23-30.	Paul Glories in His Infirmities
Gospel: Matt. 16:21-23.	Jesus Foretells His Suffering

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Peter 1:17-25.	The Cost of Our Redemption
Gospel: John 2:13-22.	Jesus Cleanses the Temple

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: James 1:2-12.	The Worth and Work of Trials
Gospel: Matt. 12:38-42.	The Sign of the Prophet Jonah

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: II Cor. 1:3-7.	Comfort in Tribulation
Gospel: John 6:47-56.	I Am the Bread of Life

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 10:5-18.	One Sacrifice for Sins forever
Gospel: John 6:57-69.	The Confession of Peter

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: II Cor. 5:14-21.	Reconciliation through Christ
Gospel: John 12:20-32.	If I Be Lifted up

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent	} The Passion of Our Lord
Thursday in Holy Week	
Good Friday	

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Cor. 15:51-58.	The Victory over Death
Gospel: Matt. 28:1-10.	The Women at the Sepulchre
John 20:11-18.	Mary and the Risen Lord

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: II Tim. 2:1-13.	The Word of God Is not Bound
Gospel: Luke 24:36-47.	The Risen Christ Appears to the Eleven

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Rev. 7:13-17.	The Multitude before the Throne
Gospel: John 10:22-30.	The Gift of Eternal Life

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Acts 4:8-20.	Boldness of Peter and John
Gospel: Matt. 10:16-20.	The Twelve Instructed and Sent forth

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Thess. 2:9-13.	Paul's Glory and Joy
Gospel: Matt. 10:24-33.	Comfort in Persecution

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Tim. 6:11-16.	Fight the Good Fight of Faith
Gospel: Luke 11:9-13.	Encouragement to Prayer

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Heb. 4:14-16.	Our Great High Priest
Gospel: Luke 24:49-53.	The Ascension of Christ

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: Col. 3:1-10.	Seek Those Things Which Are above
Gospel: John 7:33-39.	Rivers of Living Water

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Acts 2:32-41.	Peter's Preaching Bears Fruit
Gospel: John 14:15-21.	The Promised Comforter

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: I Cor. 2:7-16.	The Hidden Wisdom of God
Gospel: Ezek. 36:26, 27.	God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: Titus 3:4-8.	The Washing of Regeneration
Gospel: Matt. 28:18-20.	The Great Commission

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 2:42-47.	Life in the Apostolic Church
Gospel: Mark 4:26-32.	The Growth of the Seed

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 1:5-2:2.	Jesus Christ Our Advocate
Gospel: Luke 15:11-32.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 5:34-42.	Samuel's Wise Counsel
Gospel: Matt. 15:1-14.	God's Commands and Men's Ways

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 9:1-20.	The Conversion of Saul
Gospel: Matt. 8:5-13.	Jesus Praises the Centurion's Faith

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 3:8-14.	The High Calling of God in Christ Jesus
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42.	Jesus Commends Mary

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 2:4-10.	The Riches of God's Grace
Gospel: John 5:19-29.	The Righteous Judge

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 12:5-11.	The Peaceful Fruit of Righteousness
Gospel: Luke 13:10-17.	Jesus Heals on the Sabbath Day

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-10.	The Gain of Godliness
Gospel: Matt. 19:16-26.	The Rich Young Ruler

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 17:24-31.	Paul at Athens
Gospel: Matt. 16:24-28.	Conditions of Discipleship

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 1:12-17.	Christ Came to Save Sinners
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10.	Jesus and Zacchaeus

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 2:13-17. Faith and Works
Gospel: Mark 12:41-44. Jesus and the Widow's Mite

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 7:18-8:4. The Law of Sin in the Flesh
Gospel: John 8:31-35. The Truth Shall Make You Free

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Phil. 2:1-11. The Mind of Christ
Gospel: Luke 6:20-31. Blessings and Woes

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Peter 1:2-11. Increment of Christian Graces
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-50. The Parable of the Pearl and the Dragnet

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 2:12-17. Love not the World
Gospel: Luke 12:13-21. The Rich Man's Folly

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 2:28-3:8. Now Are We the Sons of God
Gospel: John 15:1-11. I Am the True Vine

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 4:9-13. A Rest to the People of God
Gospel: John 9:1-7. Jesus Heals the Man Born Blind

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 4:7-12. The Propitiation of Our Sins
Gospel: John 9:24-39. The Testimony of the Man Born Blind

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 3:13-18. Worldly and Heavenly Wisdom
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50. The Woman Who Was a Sinner

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 2:1-6. One Mediator between God and Men
Gospel: Luke 18:1-8. The Importunate Widow

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 15:35-40. The Glory of the Resurrection Life
Gospel: John 11:32-45. Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 4:11-18. Things Unseen Are Eternal
 Gospel: Matt. 22:23-33. The God of the Living

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 21:1-8. A New Heaven and a New Earth
 Gospel: Luke 14:16-24. The Parable of the Great Supper

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 11:1-10. The Nature and Fruits of Faith
 Gospel: Matt. 16:5-12. The Leaven of the Pharisees

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 4:4-10. Steps to Divine Favor
 Gospel: Matt. 21:33-43. The Parable of the Vineyard

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 12:18-24. The Heavenly Jerusalem
 Gospel: Matt. 25:14-30. The Parable of the Talents

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 5:14-24. The Blameless Christian Life
 Gospel: Mark 13:33-37. Watch and Pray

St. Thomas, Apostle — December 21

Epistle: Heb. 2:10-18. Jesus Made Perfect through Suffering
 Gospel: John 11:1-27. I Am the Resurrection and the Life
 John 20:24-29. Jesus and Thomas

St. Stephen, Martyr — December 26

Epistle: Acts 6:8-15, 7:55-59. Stephen's Defense and Death
 Heb. 12:1-4. Looking unto Jesus

St. John, Apostle, Evangelist — December 27

Epistle: Heb. 1:1-14. God Hath Spoken to Us by His Son
 Gospel: John 21:1-14. A Morning Meal with the Risen Lord
 John 21:15-24. Lord, What Shall This Man Do?

St. Matthias, Apostle — February 24

O. T.: Isa. 53:1-12. Christ's Suffering Foretold

The Annunciation — March 25

Gospel: Matt. 1:18-23. Emmanuel, God with Us
 O. T.: Isa. 7:10-15. Behold, a Virgin Shall Conceive

St. Philip and St. James, Apostles — May 1

Gospel: John 4:27-42. Christ, the Savior of the World

The Nativity of St. John, The Baptist — June 24

Gospel: Matt. 14:1-12. The Beheading of John the Baptist
O. T.: Isa. 40:1-8. God Comforts His People

St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles — June 29

Epistle: I Cor. 3:3-13. Other Foundations Can no Man Lay
Gospel: Matt. 16:13-19. Peter's Confession of Faith
Luke 5:1-11. The Draught of Fishes

St. James the Elder, Apostle — July 25

Gospel: Matt. 20:20-28. The Son of Man Is Come to Minister
Luke 9:51-56. The Son of Man is Come to Save

St. Bartholomew, Apostle — August 24

Epistle: II Cor. 4:5-10. The Life of Jesus Manifested in Our Body
Gospel: Mark 3:31-35. Behold My Mother and My Brethren!
John 1:35-51. John's Disciples Follow Jesus

St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist — September 21

Epistle: Eph. 4:7-16. The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: Matt. 21:28-32. Parable of the Two Sons

St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles — October 28

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10. We Are Unprofitable Servants
John 15:17-25. The Hatred of the World

St. Andrew, Apostle — November 30

Gospel: Luke 9:57-62. Fitness for the Kingdom

6. THE THOMASIIUS SELECTIONS

For seventeen years Gottfried Thomasius was an active pastor in Erlangen and Nuremberg. In 1842 he accepted the position of professor of dogmatics at the University of Erlangen and exerted an influence equalled by few teachers of his time. In 1865 the General Synod of Bavaria approved a pericope system arranged by him and recommended it for use in the churches in Bavaria. The selec-

tions offer a series of Gospel, Epistle, and Old Testament texts.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rev. 1:4-8.	The Lord Who Is to Come
Gospel: Luke 1:68-79.	The Dayspring from on High
O. T.: Isa. 61:1-3.	The Office of Christ

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Tim. 6:11-16.	Fight the Good Fight of Faith
Gospel: Luke 17:20-30.	The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst of You
O. T.: Mal. 4:1-6.	The Healing Sun of Righteousness

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 2:12-16.	Judgment by the Law
Gospel: Matt. 3:1-12.	John the Baptist's Call to Repentance
O. T.: Isa. 40:1-10.	God Comforts His People

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Cor. 1:26-29.	What God Hath Chosen
Gospel: Luke 1:46-55.	The Magnificat of Mary
O. T.: Isa. 2:2-5.	The Kingdom of the Lord Shall Be Established

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: Heb. 1:1-6.	God Hath Spoken to Us by His Son
Gospel: Luke 2:1-20.	The Savior Is Born
O. T.: Isa. 9:6, 7.	Unto Us a Child Is Born

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: I John 1:1-4.	Our Fellowship with the Father
Gospel: John 1:1-14.	The Word Was Made Flesh
O. T.: Micah 5:1-3.	The Birth of Christ Foretold

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: II Tim. 4:3-8.	A Crown of Righteousness
Gospel: Luke 2:22-32.	Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon
O. T.: Isa. 63:7-17.	The Lovingkindness of the Lord

New Year's Day

Epistle: Heb. 13:8.	The Changeless Christ
Gospel: Luke 13:6-9.	The Parable of the Fig Tree
O. T.: Lam. 3:22-32.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: Acts 19:1-7.
 Gospel: Mark 6:20-29.
 O. T.: Psalm 73:23-28.

The Ephesians Receive the Spirit
 The Death of John the Baptist
 Whom Have I in Heaven but Thee?

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: I John 3:1-6.
 Gospel: Matt. 3:13-17.
 O. T.: Isa. 49:1-9.

Now Are We the Sons of God
 This Is My Beloved Son
 A Light to the Gentiles

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 10:12-21.
 Gospel: John 1:36-51.
 O. T.: Deut. 6:1-9.

The Universality of the Gospel
 John's Disciples Follow Jesus
 Love to God Enjoined

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 10:1-12.
 Gospel: Luke 4:14-22.
 O. T.: Isa. 8:20-22.

Necessity for the Gospel
 The Acceptable Year of the Lord
 To the Law and to the Testimony

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-5.
 Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.
 O. T.: Num. 24:10-17.

The Blessings of Justification
 Come unto Me
 A Sceptre Shall Rise out of Israel

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I John 1:5-10.
 Gospel: John 8:12-16.
 O. T.: Isa. 51:1-12.

Cleansed by the Blood of Christ
 I Am the Light of the World
 God Will Comfort His Church

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I John 4:7-17.
 Gospel: John 6:26-35.
 O. T.: Jer. 18:1-10.

The Propitiation of Our Sins
 Labor not for the Meat Which Perisheth
 As Potter's Clay in Thine Hands

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: I Peter 1:3-21.
 Gospel: Luke 7:1-10.
 O. T.: Exod. 3:1-6.

The Cost of Our Redemption
 Jesus Heals the Centurion's Servant
 Moses and the Burning Bush

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: II Peter 1:3-11.
 Gospel: John 7:14-17.
 O. T.: Dan. 5:17-30.
 Dan. 4:31-34.

Increment of Christian Graces
 Jesus Teaches in the Temple
 The Handwriting on the Wall
 Nebuchadnezzar Glorifies God

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: II Peter 1:16-21.	The Light of the Prophetic Word
II Cor. 3:12-18.	The Veil of Moses
Gospel: Matt. 17:1-9.	The Transfiguration of Our Lord
O. T.: Isa. 25:1-9.	Joy in the Salvation of God

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: I Cor. 1:18-24.	The Preaching of the Cross
Gospel: Mark 10:32-45.	Whosoever Will be Great
Mark 8:27-38.	Jesus Foretells His Suffering
O. T.: Jer. 8:19-22.	Is There no Balm in Gilead?

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 12:14-17.	Follow Peace with All Men
Gospel: Matt. 11:20-24.	Jesus Denounces the Cities
O. T.: Jer. 2:17-19.	Backsliding Israel Rebuked
Jer. 3:22, 23.	Israel Invited to Return

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 2:10-15.	Jesus Made Perfect through Suffering
Gospel: John 8:21-30.	When the Son of Man Is Lifted up
O. T.: Exod. 14:13-21.	The Pursuing Egyptians Destroyed
Isa. 52:7-17.	Good Tidings of Salvation

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 5:7-10.	The Author of Eternal Salvation
Gospel: John 10:24-33.	The Gift of Eternal Life
O. T.: Gen. 22.	Abraham Offers His Son Isaac

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 10:1-14.	One Sacrifice for Sins forever
Gospel: John 11:47-57.	The Prophecy of Caiaphas
O. T.: Isa. 42:1-8.	The Office of the Savior

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: Heb. 7:24-27.	The Unchangeable Priesthood of Christ
Heb. 4:14-16.	Our Great High Priest
Gospel: John 12:23-33.	If I Be Lifted up
O. T.: Num. 21:4-9.	Moses and the Fiery Serpents

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 12:1-6.	Looking unto Jesus
Gospel: John 12:1-19.	Jesus Enters Jerusalem
O. T.: Zech. 9:8-12.	Behold Thy King Cometh unto Thee

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: I Cor. 10:16, 17.	The Cup of Blessing
I Cor. 11:28-32.	Let a Man Examine Himself
Gospel: John 13:1-17.	Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet
Luke 22:14-23.	The Institution of the Holy Communion
O. T.: Exod. 12:1-14.	The Passover Instituted

Good Friday

Epistle: Heb. 10:19-23.	By a New and Living Way
II Cor. 5:14-21.	Reconciliation through Christ
Gospel: Matt. 27:29-56.	Crucifixion and Death of Jesus
O. T.: Isa. 53:1-7.	Christ's Suffering Foretold

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Peter 1:3-9.	Born Anew to a Living Hope
Gospel: Matt. 28:1-8.	The Women at the Sepulchre
O. T.: Isa. 53:8-12.	Christ's Soul Poured out unto Death
Job 19:22-27.	I Know that My Redeemer Liveth

Monday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:12-22.	In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive
Gospel: John 20:11-18.	Mary and the Risen Lord
O. T.: Isa. 26:13-20.	The Earth Shall Cast out the Dead
Psalms 118:24-29.	He Hath not Given Me over unto Death

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 4:1-6.	How to Try the Spirits
I Peter 1:22-25.	Born again of Incorruptible Seed
Gospel: John 21:15-24.	Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter
John 6:65-71.	The Confession of Peter
O. T.: Gen. 32:22-31.	Jacob Wrestles with the Angel

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Rev. 2:1-5.	The Letter to the Church of Ephesus
Gospel: John 21:1-14.	A Morning Meal with the Risen Christ
O. T.: Ezek. 34:11-16.	A Shepherd in Israel Promised
Ezek. 34:23-31.	The Covenant of Peace

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Rev. 3:1-6.	The Letter to the Church in Sardis
Gospel: John 10:1-11.	I Am the Good Shepherd
O. T.: Isa. 61:10, 11.	The Robe of Righteousness

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Rev. 3:7-11.	The Letter to the Church in Philadelphia
Gospel: John 15:1-11.	I Am the True Vine
O. T.: Isa. 5:1-7.	The Vineyard of the Lord

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Rev. 3:14-22.	The Letter to the Church of the Laodiceans
Gospel: John 14:13-21.	The Promised Comforter
O. T.: Isa. 54:7-13.	God's Kindness Shall not Depart

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Eph. 1:15-23.	The Church, the Body of Christ
Gospel: Luke 24:50-53.	The Ascension of Christ
O. T.: Psalm 110.	Sit Thou at My Right Hand

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: I John 3:19-24.	Assurance of Salvation
Gospel: John 14:1-12.	The Way, the Truth, the Life
O. T.: Isa. 64:1, 2.	Prayer for the Illustration of God's Power

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Heb. 8:8-11.	The Promise of a New Covenant
Gospel: John 7:37-39.	Rivers of Living Water
O. T.: Isa. 44:1-6.	Beside Me there Is no God

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Acts 2:22-39.	Repent and Be Baptized
Gospel: John 4:19-24.	Worship in Spirit and in Truth
O. T.: Ezek. 32:22-28.	Lamentation for the Fall of Egypt
Ezek. 36:22-28.	God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: I Cor. 12:4-13.	The Gifts of the Spirit
Gospel: Matt. 28:18-20.	The Great Commission
O. T.: Isa. 6:3-7.	The Prophet's Vision of the Lord's Glory
Num. 6:22-27.	The Blessing of Moses

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 2:42-47.	Life in the Apostolic Church
Gospel: Mark 4:26-29.	The Growth of the Seed
O. T.: Gen. 12:1-4.	The Call to Abram

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 3:1-10.	The Lame Man Healed
Gospel: Matt. 9:9-13.	The Calling of Matthew
O. T.: Gen. 15:1-6.	God Promises Abram a Son

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:1-12.	Peter and John before the Rulers
Gospel: Matt. 5:1-6.	The Beatitudes
O. T.: Gen. 17:1-9.	God Renews His Covenant with Abraham

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 8:26-38.	Philip and the Ethiopian
Gospel: Matt. 5:7-12.	The Beatitudes
O. T.: Gen. 18:20-33.	Abraham Pleads for Sodom

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 9:1-19.	The Conversion of Saul
Gospel: Matt. 7:24-29.	The Two Foundations
O. T.: Gen. 19:15-26.	Sodom and Gomorrah Destroyed

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 14:8-18.	Paul and Barnabas Accounted Gods
Gospel: Matt. 19:16-26.	The Rich Young Ruler
O. T.: Gen. 25:7-10.	Death and Burial of Abraham

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 16:22-33.	Conversion of the Jailer at Philippi
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-46.	The Parable of the Treasure and the Pearls
O. T.: Gen. 28:10-22.	Jacob's Vision and God's Covenant

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 16:12-15.	The Conversion of Lydia
Gospel: Mark 8:34-38.	What Shall It Profit a Man?
O. T.: Exod. 3:1-14.	Moses and the Burning Bush

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 24:22-26.	Paul's Second Hearing before Felix
Gospel: Matt. 14:22-34.	Jesus Walks upon the Sea
O. T.: Exod. 17:1-7.	Water from the Rock in Horeb

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 7:54-59.	Stephen Stoned to Death
Gospel: Matt. 23:34-39.	Jesus Laments over Jerusalem
O. T.: Deut. 32:1-9.	The Song of Moses

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 17:15-34.	Paul at Athens
Gospel: Matt. 16:13-20.	Peter's Confession of Faith
O. T.: I Sam. 7:5-12.	The Philistines Are Subdued

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 19:23-40.	The Silversmith at Ephesus
Gospel: Matt. 13:31-35.	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
O. T.: I Sam. 16:1-13.	Samuel Anoints David

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 20:17-38.	Charge to the Elders at Miletus
Gospel: Matt. 5:13-19.	The Salt, the Light, the Candle
O. T.: II Sam. 12:1-10.	Nathan's Parable

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 2:19-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Gospel: Matt. 10:16-22.	The Twelve Instructed and Sent forth
Matt. 10:28-38.	Comfort in Persecution
O. T.: Prov. 4:14-23.	The Just Contrasted with the Wicked

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 4:8-16.	Christ the Head of the Church
Gospel: Luke 11:5-13.	Encouragement to Prayer
Luke 18:1-8.	The Importunate Widow
O. T.: I Ki. 17:1-16.	Elijah and the Widow

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 5:14-24.	The Blameless Christian Life
Gospel: Matt. 25:14-30.	The Parable of the Talents
O. T.: I Ki. 17:17-24.	Elijah Restores the Widow's Son

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 3:13-18.	Worldly and Heavenly Wisdom
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42.	Jesus Commends Mary
O. T.: Prov. 16:1-9.	God's Mind and Man's Mind

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 7:6-10.	Repentance unto Salvation
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50.	The Woman Who Was a Sinner
O. T.: Jer. 17:5-10.	The Deceitfulness of Man's Heart

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Thess. 3:5-12.	Be not Weary in Well-Doing
Gospel: Matt. 12:1-13.	Lord even of the Sabbath Day
O. T.: I Ki. 19:1-18.	God's Voice Comes to Elijah

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 6:1-9.	Domestic Duties
Gospel: Luke 19:1-5.	Jesus and Zacchaeus
O. T.: I Ki. 21:17-25.	Elijah Denounces King Ahab

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 8:1-12.	The Grace of Liberal Giving
I Tim. 6:3-12.	The Gain of Godliness
Gospel: Luke 12:15-21.	The Rich Man's Folly
O. T.: Isa. 30:15-19.	Blessed Are They That Wait for the Lord

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 5:7-11.	Patient Waiting for the Lord
Gospel: Luke 10:17-22.	The Return of the Seventy
O. T.: Zeph. 3:14-20.	Restoration of Israel

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Col. 3:1-4.	Seek Those Things Which are above
Heb. 4:9-13.	A Rest to the People of God
Gospel: Luke 13:23-30.	The Closed Door of the Kingdom
O. T.: Hag. 2:1-10.	The Glory of the Second Temple

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 5:1-11.	Children of Light and of the Day
Gospel: Matt. 24:1-14.	Jesus Teaches concerning His Coming
O. T.: Isa. 63:1-9.	The Year of My Redeemed Is Come

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Thess. 2:1-12.	The Mystery of Iniquity
Gospel: John 11:21-27.	I Am the Resurrection and the Life
O. T.: Isa. 35:4-10.	The Return of the Ransomed of the Lord

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 7:9-17.	The Multitude before the Throne
Heb. 12:18-24.	The Heavenly Jerusalem
Gospel: John 5:19-29.	The Righteous Judge

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 21:1-7.	A New Heaven and a New Earth
Gospel: Luke 12:35-46.	Be Ye Therefore Ready

The Festival of the Reformation

Epistle: Heb. 13:7-9.	The Changeless Christ
Gospel: John 2:15-17.	Jesus Cleanses the Temple
John 8:30-36.	The Truth Shall Make You Free
O. T.: Psalm 87:1-3.	The Great Glory of God's City
II Chron. 29:12-19.	The House of God Is Cleansed

The Festival of Harvest

Epistle: II Cor. 9:6-15.	God Loveth a Cheerful Giver
Gospel: Matt. 15:29-39.	Jesus Feeds the Four Thousand
Luke 12:15-21.	The Rich Man's Folly
O. T.: Psalm 145:15-21.	The Eyes of All Wait upon Thee
Deut. 26:1-11.	The Offering of First Fruits

The Festival of Missions

Epistle: Acts 13:44-49.	Lo, We Turn to the Gentiles
Acts 16:8-10.	The Macedonian Call
Gospel: Matt. 9:35-38.	The Harvest Is Plenteous
O. T.: Psalm 69.	God Will Save Zion

A Day of Humiliation and Prayer

Epistle: Heb. 12:12-15.	Strive to Obtain the Grace of God
Gospel: Luke 13:1-5.	Exhortation to Repentance
O. T.: Dan. 9:3-19.	The Prayer of Daniel

7. THE HANNOVER PERICOPES

The selections originating in the Evangelical Church in Hannover, Germany, offer a wide variety of texts from both the Old and the New Testaments. They have come into quite general use in the Lutheran Church in America. In the *Common Service Book* they appear as Lectionary C under the General Rubrics and will be included also in the *Common Lutheran Hymnal*.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rev. 1:4-8.	The Lord Who Is to Come
Rom. 2:12-24.	Judgment by the Law
Gospel: Luke 17:20-30.	The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst of You
O. T.: Gen. 3:1-15.	The First Sin and the First Promise
Psalm 40:5-17.	Lo, I Come

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rev. 2:1-7.	The Letter to the Church of Ephesus
Rom. 8:1-18.	The Universality of Guilt
Gospel: Luke 13:18-30.	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
O. T.: Gen. 9:1-19.✓	God's Covenant with Noah
Isa. 55:1-13.	Call to Faith and Repentance

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rev. 3:1-13.	The Churches in Sardis and in Philadelphia
Rom. 10:11-18.	The Universality of the Gospel
Gospel: John 12:35-50.	I Came not to Judge but to Save the World
O. T.: Gen. 22:1-18.✓	Abraham Offers His Son Isaac
Hag. 2:2-10.	The Glory of the Second Temple

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rev. 3:14-22.	The Letter to the Church of the Laodiceans
Rom. 11:16-32.	The Parable of the Olive Tree
Gospel: Matt. 11:11-19.	Jesus Pays Tribute to John
O. T.: Gen. 49:8-12.✓	Jacob Blesses His Son Judah
Jer. 23:1-8.	The Lord Our Righteousness

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: I John 4:1-6.	How to Try the Spirits
I Tim. 3:14-16.	Great Is the Mystery of Godliness
Gospel: Matt. 1:18-25.	Emmanuel, God with Us
O. T.: Micah 5:1-4.	The Birth of Christ Foretold
Micah 4:1-8.	Peace and Restoration Foretold

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: Rom. 8:28-39.	We Are more than Conquerors
Heb. 2:3-18.	Made like His Brethren
Gospel: John 6:32-39.	The Will of Him That Sent Me
O. T.: II Sam. 7:1-13.	God's Covenant with David
Isa. 49:1-13.	A Light to the Gentiles

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: Jude 17-25.	Keep Yourselves in the Love of God
II Cor. 1:3-20.	The Promises of God in Christ
Gospel: John 8:12-19.	I Am the Light of the World
Matt. 23:34-39.	Jesus Laments over Jerusalem
O. T.: Isa. 12:1-6.	God Is My Salvation

New Year's Day

Epistle: I Tim. 6:13-19.

Gospel: Luke 4:16-21.

O. T.: Psalm 67:1-7.

Psalm 33:1-22.

Fight the Good Fight of Faith

The Acceptable Year of the Lord

God the Governor of Nations

The Lord the Mighty Deliverer

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: Eph. 2:1-12.

Col. 1:19-21.

Gospel: Matt. 3:13-17.

O. T.: I Ki. 19:1-18.

Isa. 42:1-12.

The Riches of God's Grace

Christ the Head of the Church

This Is My Beloved Son

God's Voice Comes to Elijah

The Office of the Savior

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 1:20-31.

Heb. 3:1-14.

Gospel: John 1:35-51.

O. T.: Psalm 122.

We Preach Christ Crucified

The Pre-eminence of Christ

John's Disciples Follow Jesus

The Glory of God's House

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 2:1-16.

Gal. 1:6-16.

Gospel: John 3:22-36.

O. T.: Deut. 18:15-22.

The Hidden Wisdom of God

The Gospel, the Revelation of Christ

John's Witness of Christ

A Prophet from among Their Brethren

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 1:13-25.

I Tim. 6:1-5.

Gospel: John 4:5-26.

O. T.: Isa. 61:1-7.

The Gospel, the Power of God

The Doctrine Which Accords with

Godliness

The Conversation at Jacob's Well

Arise, Shine, for Thy Light Is Come

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 7:6-25.

I Cor. 4:9-20.

Gospel: John 4:27-42.

O. T.: Psalm 93.

Sin Revealed by the Law

Fools for Christ's Sake

Fields White unto Harvest

The Majesty and Power of God

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 8:1-11.

I John 5:14-21.

Gospel: John 5:1-18.

O. T.: Jer. 24:1-10.

Free from Condemnation

The True God and Eternal Life

Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda

The Sign of the Figs

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: Rom. 10:1-17.

Heb. 11:8-35.

Gospel: John 5:31-47.

O. T.: Exod. 3:1-15.

Necessity for the Gospel

The Heroes of Faith

The Scriptures Testify of Christ

Moses and the Burning Bush

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: Phil. 1:27-2:4.

I Thess. 1:1-10.

Gospel: Luke 9:18-26.

O. T.: Exod. 19:3-8.

Life Worthy of the Gospel

The Work of Faith and Labor of Love

Conditions of Discipleship

God's Message from Sinai

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: Phil. 1:12-26.

II Cor. 1:23-2:17.

Gospel: John 11:20-46.

O. T.: Amos 8:1-12.

To Me to Live Is Christ

As Men of God We Speak in Christ

I Am the Resurrection and the Life

A Famine of God's Word

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-11.

I John 4:7-15.

Gospel: John 11:47-12:8.

O. T.: Jer. 8:4-12.

While We Were yet Sinners

The Propitiation of Our Sins

The Prophecy of Caiaphas

The Impenitence of God's People

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 4:14-5:9.

I John 3:7-12.

Gospel: Luke 22:31-44.

O. T.: Jer. 17:5-14.

Our Great High Priest

Love, the Test of Sonship

Jesus Prays in Gethsemane

The Deceitfulness of Man's Heart

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Rom. 3:19-31.

II Cor. 7:1-12.

Gospel: Luke 22:45-62.

O. T.: Psalm 130.

Justification by Faith

Repentance unto Salvation

Peter Denies His Lord

There Is Forgiveness with Thee

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 12:1-13.

II Cor. 6:11-18.

Gospel: Luke 22:63-71.

O. T.: Jer. 26:1-15.

Looking unto Jesus

The Appeal to Separation

Christ before the Council

The Message in the Temple Court

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Peter 1:17-25.

✓ Heb. 7:11-28.

Gospel: Matt. 27:1-10.

✓ O. T.: Mal. 2:1-10.

The Cost of Our Redemption

The Unchangeable Priesthood of Christ

Jesus Delivered to Pontius Pilate

The Prophet Reproves a Corrupt Priesthood

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 5:12-21.

✓ Col. 2:6-15.

Gospel: Matt. 27:11-31.

O. T.: Psalm 2.

The Reign of Sin and Death

Rooted and Built up in Jesus

Jesus Delivered to Be Crucified

The Lord's Anointed King

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Gal. 2:16-21.

✓ I Tim. 1:12-17.

Gospel: Luke 23:26-38.

O. T.: Jer. 18:1-14.

Justification by Faith

Christ Came to Save Sinners

Jesus Is Crucified

As Potter's Clay in Mine Hand

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: I Cor. 10:14-21.

Gospel: John 6:47-58.

The Cup of Blessing

I Am the Bread of Life

Good Friday

Epistle: II Cor. 5:14-21.

I John 2:1-6.

Gospel: Luke 23:39-49.

O. T.: Micah 6:1-8.

Psalm 22.

Reconciliation through Christ

Love Perfected in Obedience

Jesus Dies on the Cross

What Doth the Lord Require of Thee?

The Forsaken Sufferer

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Cor. 15:12-28.

Rev. 5:1-14.

Gospel: John 20:1-10.

O. T.: Psalm 118:14-29.

✓ Ezek. 37:9-14.

In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive

Worthy Is the Lamb That Was Slain

The Empty Sepulchre

He Hath not Given Me over unto Death

I Will Open Your Graves

Monday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:35-58.

Acts 13:26-41.

Gospel: John 20:11-18.

O. T.: Psalm 16:1-11.

Isa. 25:1-8.

The Victory over Death

Paul Preaches the Risen Christ

Mary and the Risen Lord

My Flesh also Shall Rest in Hope

Joy in the Salvation of God

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

- Epistle: I Peter 1:3-16. Born Anew to a Living Hope
 ✓ II Cor. 5:1-10. We Walk by Faith, not by Sight
 Gospel: John 21:1-19. A Morning Meal with the Risen Christ
 ✓ O. T.: Isa. 52:1-10. Good Tidings of Salvation

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

- Epistle: I Peter 4:12-19. Partakers of Christ's Sufferings
 ✓ Rom. 14:6-13. None of Us Liveth to Himself
 Gospel: John 14:1-14. Lord, Show Us the Father
 O. T.: Ezek. 34:11-16. A Shepherd in Israel Promised

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

- Epistle: I John 3:1-6. Now Are We the Sons of God
 ✓ II Tim. 1:3-14. Life and Immortality Brought to Light
 Gospel: John 12:20-26. We Would See Jesus
 ✓ O. T.: Psalm 23. The Lord Is My Shepherd

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

- Epistle: II Tim. 2:8-13. The Word of God Is not Bound
 ✓ II Tim. 2:14-23. Rightly Dividing the Word of Truth
 Gospel: John 6:60-70. The Confession of Peter
 ✓ O. T.: Isa. 57:11-21. Promises to the Penitent

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

- Epistle: I Tim. 2:1-6. One Mediator between God and Men
 ✓ I Thess. 5:14-25. The Blameless Christian Life
 Gospel: John 17:1-11. Christ Prays for His Disciples
 ✓ O. T.: Psalm 102:11-28. As a Vesture Shalt Thou Change Them

The Ascension of Our Lord

- Epistle: Heb. 9:24-10:14. Seated on the Right Hand of God
 ✓ I Peter 3:15-22. Christ on the Right Hand of God
 Gospel: John 17:12-26. Christ Prays for the Believers
 O. T.: Gen. 14:14-20. Melchizedek Blesses Abram
 ✓ Psalm 110. Sit Thou at My Right Hand

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

- Epistle: Col. 3:1-11. Seek Those Things Which Are above
 James 1:2-11. The Worth and Work of Trials
 Gospel: John 7:28-30. Christ's Divinity Challenged
 ✓ O. T.: Psalm 42. My Soul Thirsteth for God

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Eph. 1:3-23.	The Church, the Body of Christ
✓ Acts 8:14-25.	Peter and John at Samaria
Gospel: John 15:1-7.	I Am the True Vine
O. T.: ✓ Isa. 62:1-12.	Raising aloft the Banner of God
Ezek. 36:22-28.	God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Eph. 2:13-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Acts 19:1-8.	The Ephesians Receive the Spirit
Gospel: John 15:8-16.	Continue Ye in My Love
O. T.: Isa. 54:7-13.	God's Kingdom Shall not Depart
Jer. 31:31-34.	The New Covenant

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: Acts 2:33-47.	Life in the Apostolic Church
II Cor. 13:1-14.	The New Testament Benediction
Gospel: Matt. 28:18-20.	The Great Commission
O. T.: Isa. 6:1-8.	The Prophet's Vision of the Lord's Glory
Isa. 48:10-22.	I Will not Give My Glory unto Another

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:32-37.	Believers of One Heart and Soul
James 5:1-7.	Selfish Living Condemned
✓ Gospel: Matt. 5:1-10.	The Beatitudes
O. T.: Deut. 6:1-15.	Love to God Enjoined

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 5:1-11.	Ananias and Sapphira
James 2:1-13.	Judged by the Law of Liberty
✓ Gospel: Matt. 5:27-41.	But I Say unto You
O. T.: Prov. 9:1-11.	True Wisdom

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 3:1-16.	The Lame Man Healed
James 2:14-23.	Faith and Works
✓ Gospel: Luke 15:11-32.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son
O. T.: Josh. 24:14-27.	God's Covenant Renewed

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:8-31.	Boldness of Peter and John
II Peter 1:2-15.	Increment of Christian Graces
Gospel: Matt. 5:11-16.	The Salt, the Light, the Candle
O. T.: I Sam. 3:1-19.	The Lord Appears to Samuel

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 5:17-42.	Gamaliel's Wise Counsel
Acts 9:32-43.	The Miracles of Peter
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50.	The Woman Who Was a Sinner
O. T.: I Sam. 16:1-13.	Samuel Anoints David

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 8:26-38.	Philip and the Ethiopian
Gal. 3:1-12.	The Just Shall Live by Faith
Gospel: Mark 4:26-32.	The Growth of the Seed
O. T.: I Sam. 24:1-20.	David Spares Saul's Life

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 9:1-19.	The Conversion of Saul
Acts 10:1-33.	Peter and Cornelius
Gospel: Matt. 19:16-26.	The Rich Young Ruler
O. T.: I Ki. 3:5-14.	Solomon Asks for Wisdom

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 16:16-36.	Paul and Silas at Philippi
Acts 12:1-17.	Peter Delivered from Prison
Gospel: Matt. 10:32-42.	Conditions of Discipleship
O. T.: Jer. 23:16-32.	Judgment against False Prophets

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 17:16-34.	Paul at Athens
II Thess. 3:1-13.	Be not Weary in Well-Doing
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-52.	The Parable of the Pearl and the Dragnet
O. T.: Prov. 16:1-9.	God's Mind and Man's Mind

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 20:17-38.	Charge to the Elders at Miletus
Acts 14:8-20.	Paul and Barnabas Accounted Gods
Gospel: Luke 12:49-56.	Divisions because of the Gospel
O. T.: Jer. 7:1-15.	A Call to True Repentance

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-12.	The Gain of Godliness
Acts 15:4-22.	Paul and Barnabas Report to the Church
Gospel: Mark 12:41-44.	Jesus and the Widow's Mite
O. T.: Dan. 9:8-19.	The Prayer of Daniel

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 3:1-18.	Worldly and Heavenly Wisdom
Acts 16:9-15.	The Macedonian Call
Gospel: John 8:37-45.	Christ's Divine Sonship Challenged
O. T.: Psalm 62.	God the only Hope of Man

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Peter 2:1-10.	Ye Are a Chosen Generation
Acts 18:1-18.	Paul at Corinth
Gospel: John 9:24-41.	The Testimony of the Man Born Blind
O. T.: Prov. 4:4-27.	The Just Contrasted with the Wicked

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 4:1-18.	Things Unseen Are Eternal
Acts 21:3-19.	Paul at Caesarea
Gospel: Matt. 20:20-28.	The Son of Man Is Come to Minister
O. T.: Psalm 63:1-8.	God the Perfect Hope of Man

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 8:1-15.	The Grace of Liberal Giving
Acts 21:40-22:22.	Paul Tells of His Conversion
Gospel: Luke 12:15-23.	The Rich Man's Folly
O. T.: I Ki. 17:1-16.	Elijah and the Widow

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 12:14-24.	The Heavenly Jerusalem
Acts 23:1-17.	Paul Pleads His Cause
Gospel: Luke 9:46-56.	The Son of Man Is Come to Save
O. T.: Job 5:17-26.	The Happy End of God's Correction

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 6:1-15.	Let Us Go on to Perfection
Acts 24:1-25.	Paul's First Hearing before Felix
Gospel: Luke 9:57-62.	Fitness for the Kingdom
O. T.: Psalm 138.	The Lord the Perfecter

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 10:22-39.	Perseverance in Hope
Acts 26:13-32.	Paul's Appeal to Agrippa
Gospel: Matt. 12:30-37.	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
O. T.: Lam. 3:22-40.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Col. 4:2-9.	Continuance in Prayer
Rom. 14:14-23.	The Kingdom of God Is not Meat and Drink
Gospel: Luke 18:1-8.	The Importunate Widow
O. T.: Hosea 14:1-9.	The Ways of the Lord Are Right

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 2:9-20.	Paul's Glory and Joy
Acts 28:17-31.	Paul Preaches at Rome
Gospel: Matt. 9:35-38.	The Harvest Is Plenteous
O. T.: Psalm 1.	Obedience and Disobedience

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 6:1-9.	Domestic Duties
I Cor. 12:12-27.	Many Members, One Body
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10.	Jesus and Zacchaeus
O. T.: II Sam. 7:17-29.	David's Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 13:1-21.	The God of Peace Make You Perfect
I Cor. 9:13-23.	All Things to All Men
Gospel: John 8:23-36.	The Truth Shall Make You Free
O. T.: Prov. 2:1-15.	In Praise of Wisdom

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 4:1-13.	A Rest to the People of God
I Tim. 4:1-11.	A Good Minister of Jesus Christ
Gospel: John 5:19-26.	The Righteous Judge
O. T.: Psalm 126.	They That Sow in Tears Shall Reap in Joy

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 4:1-17.	What Is Your Life?
II Tim. 3:1-13.	The Value of the Holy Scriptures
Gospel: John 10:22-30.	The Gift of Eternal Life
O. T.: Eccl. 7:3-9.	Sorrow Is Better than Laughter

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 2:12-19.	Love not the World
II Thess. 2:1-17.	The Mystery of Iniquity
Gospel: Matt. 10:16-28.	Comfort in Persecution
O. T.: Psalm 39.	The Brevity and Vanity of Life

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 5:7-20.	Effectual Fervent Prayer
II Cor. 9:6-15.	God Loveth a Cheerful Giver
Gospel: Luke 19:11-27.	Blessed Are the Faithful
O. T.: Mal. 3:13-18.	The Jewels of the Lord

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 21:1-8.	A New Heaven and a New Earth
II Tim. 4:1-8.	A Crown of Righteousness
Gospel: Luke 12:35-46.	Be Ye Therefore Ready
O. T.: Isa. 65:12-19.	The New Jerusalem

The Festival of the Reformation — October 31

Epistle: Gal. 5:1-15.	Christ Has Set Us Free
I Cor. 3:11-23.	Other Foundation Can no Man Lay
Heb. 13:7-9.	The Changeless Christ
Gospel: Matt. 11:20-30.	Come unto Me
O. T.: Psalm 119:29-52.	The Inspiration of Thy Testimony
Psalm 46.	God Is Our Refuge and Strength

A Day of Humiliation and Prayer

Epistle: Rom. 2:1-11.	No Respect of Persons with God
Rev. 22:1-5; 10-15.	Behold, I Come Quickly
Gospel: Luke 13:1-9.	Parable of the Fig Tree
O. T.: Psalm 85.	The Nearness of God's Salvation

8. THE SWEDISH SELECTIONS

The Swedish Selections with a general theme for each Sunday and festival first appeared in 1921 in *Psalmboken*, the hymnal and lectionary of the Lutheran Church in Sweden. The historic Epistles and Gospels are used although not always on the corresponding Sunday. The Sundays and the festivals on which they correspond with the historic pericopes are indicated with an asterisk (*). The Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church, then called Augustana Synod, officially adopted the selections in 1923 and included them in the Lectionary of *The Hymnal* which was published in 1925. The regular use of the three series of Gospel texts, followed in order, is quite general in the Augustana Church.

The First Sunday in Advent

The Coming of the Lord to His Church

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| Epistle: Rom. 13:11-14. | The New Day Calls for a New Life* |
| Gospel: Matt. 21:1-9. | Christ's Entry into Jerusalem* |
| Luke 4:16-22. | The Acceptable Year of the Lord |
| John 18:36, 37. | The King of Truth |
| O. T.: Psalm 24:1-10. | Preparing the King's Highway |
| Isa. 62:10-12. | Raising aloft the Banner of God |

The Second Sunday in Advent

Waiting for the Day of the Lord

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| Epistle: Rom. 15:4-13. | The Patient Endurance of Hope* |
| Heb. 10:35-39. | Perseverance in Hope |
| James 5:7-10. | Patient Waiting for the Lord |
| Gospel: Luke 12:35-40. | Be Ye therefore Ready |
| Luke 17:20-30. | The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst
of You |
| Luke 21:25-36. | Signs of the Coming of the Lord* |

The Third Sunday in Advent

The Forerunner of the Lord

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| Epistle: I Cor. 4:1-5. | Appeal to the Judgment of God* |
| I Peter 1:7-13. | Salvation Foretold by the Prophets |
| II Peter 1:19-21. | The Light of the Prophetic Word |
| Gospel: Matt. 11:2-10. | John's Message to Jesus* |
| Matt. 11:11-19. | Jesus Pays Tribute to John |
| Luke 3:1-14. | John Preaches and Baptizes |

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

The Lord Is at Hand

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| Epistle: Phil. 4:4-7. | The Presence of the Lord Gives Joy* |
| Gospel: John 1:19-28. | The Testimony of John* |
| John 3:22-36. | John's Witness of Christ |
| John 5:31-39. | The Father Bears Witness of the Son |
| O. T.: Isa. 40:9-11. | The Power and Mercy of the Coming
Lord |
| Isa. 51:3-5. | The Coming of a Righteous Savior |

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

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| Epistle: Titus 2:11-14. | God Gives Life to the World* |
| Heb. 1:1-3. | Christ, the Image of God |

Gospel: Matt. 1:18-24.	Emmanuel, God with Us
Luke 2:1-20.	The Savior Is Born*
John 1:1-14.	The Word Was Made Flesh
O. T.: Isa. 9:2-7.	Unto Us a Child Is Born

The Second Christmas Day

The Martyrs

Epistle: Acts 6:8-15; 7:54-60.	Stephen's Defense and Death
II Tim. 2:3-9.	The Soldier of Christ Endures Hardship
I Peter 4:12-19.	John's Message to Jesus*
Gospel: Matt. 10:32-39.	Conditions of Discipleship
Matt. 23:34-39.	Partakers of Christ's Sufferings
Luke 12:49-53.	Divisions because of the Gospel

The Sunday after Christmas

The Childhood of Jesus

Epistle: Gal. 4:1-7.	Christ Makes Us Children of God*
Gospel: Matt. 2:13-23.	Flight into Egypt
Luke 2:33-40.	The Consolation of Israel*
Luke 12:32.	The Little Flock
O. T.: Psalm 62:5-8.	God Is a Refuge for Us
Isa. 40:26-31.	God Giveth Power and Strength

New Year's Day

The Childhood of Jesus

Epistle: Titus 3:4-7.	The Washing of Regeneration
Rev. 2:1-5.	The Letter to the Church of Ephesus
Gospel: Luke 2:21.	The Name of Jesus*
Luke 13:6-9.	Parable of the Fig Tree
John 14:13.	Prayer in the Name of Jesus
O. T.: Psalm 121:1-8.	Divine Help and Protection
Lam. 3:22-26.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

The Sunday after New Year

Holy Baptism

Epistle: Acts 8:26-39.	Philip and the Ethiopian
Rom. 6:3-11.	Crucified with Christ
Col. 2:9-15.	Baptism Means Communion with Christ
Titus 3:4-7.	The Washing of Regeneration
Gospel: Matt. 3:11, 12.	John Contrasts Jesus' Baptizing with His
Matt. 3:13-17.	This Is My Beloved Son
John 1:29-34.	This Is the Son of God

The Epiphany of Our Lord**The Dawn of A New Day**

Epistle: II Cor. 4:3-6.	God Hath Shined in Our Hearts
Gospel: Matt. 2:1-12.	The Wise Men Worship Christ*
Matt. 12:15-21.	In His Name Shall the Gentiles Trust
John 8:12.	I Am the Light of the World
O. T.: Isa. 2:2-5.	The Kingdom of the Lord Shall Be Established
Isa. 60:1-6.	Arise, Shine, for Thy Light Is Come*

The First Sunday after Epiphany**Jesus As Disciple and Teacher**

Epistle: Rom. 12:1-5.	The Spiritual Service of the Christian*
Heb. 2:11-16.	The Brethren of Jesus
Gospel: Matt. 12:46-50.	Who Are My Brethren?
Luke 2:42-52.	The Child Jesus in the Temple*
John 7:14-18.	Jesus Teaches in the Temple
O. T.: Psalm 84:1-12.	A Day in Thy Courts Is Better than a Thousand

The Second Sunday after Epiphany**The Presence of Jesus Hallows the Home**

Epistle: Rom. 12:6-16.	Faith and Love in Our Social Relations*
Eph. 6:1-4.	Domestic Duties
II Tim. 1:3-5.	The Christian Home a Blessing to Children
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10.	Jesus and Zacchaeus
John 2:1-11.	The Wedding in Cana*
John 4:5-26.	The Conversation at Jacob's Well

The Third Sunday after Epiphany**Jesus the Creator of Faith**

Epistle: Rom. 12:17-21.	Evil Overcome with Good*
II Thess. 2:13-17.	God Comfort Your Hearts
Heb. 11:1-22.	The Nature and Fruits of Faith
Gospel: Matt. 8:1-13.	Jesus Praises the Centurion's Faith*
Matt. 8:14-17.	Jesus Heals the Sick
John 4:27-42.	Christ, the Savior of the World

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**Jesus Delivers from Danger and Despair**

Epistle: Rom. 13:8-10.	Love, the Fulfillment of the Law*
II Tim. 1:7-10.	Life and Immortality Brought to Light
Heb. 11:23-40.	Faith Creates Men of Power

Gospel: Matt. 8:23-27.	Jesus Stills the Tempest*
Matt. 14:22-33.	Jesus Walks upon the Sea
John 6:66-69.	The Confession of Peter

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

The Power of Jesus to Keep His Own

Epistle: I Cor. 1:9-18.	Unity in the Church of Jesus Christ
Eph. 4:14-16.	Christ, the Head of the Church
Col. 3:12-17.	Love, the Bond of Union*
Gospel: Matt. 13:24-30.	The Tares among the Wheat*
Mark 4:26-29.	The Growth of the Seed
Mark 9:38-41.	Jesus Teaches Tolerance

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Watchfulness

(Same as the Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity)

Septuagesima Sunday

By Grace Alone

Epistle: I Cor. 3:7-23.	Other Foundations Can no Man Lay
I Cor. 9:24-27.	The Incorruptible Crown of Victory*
Phil. 3:7-14.	The High Calling of God in Christ Jesus
Gospel: Matt. 20:1-16.	The Laborers in the Vineyard*
Matt. 19:27-30.	The Rewards of Discipleship
Luke 17:7-10.	We Are Unprofitable Servants

Sexagesima Sunday

The Word of God

Epistle: II Cor. 11:19-31.	Paul Glories in His Infirmities*
II Tim. 3:10-4:5.	The Value of the Holy Scriptures
Gospel: Matt. 10:2-16.	The Twelve Instructed and Sent forth
Luke 8:4-15.	The Parable of the Sower*
John 12:35-38.	That Ye May Be the Children of Light
O. T.: Isa. 55:6-11.	My Word Shall not Return Void

Quinquagesima Sunday

The Path of Suffering

Epistle: I Cor. 1:20-25.	We Preach Christ Crucified
I Cor. 13:1-13.	The Greatest of These Is Love*
Gospel: Mark 10:32-45.	Whosoever Will Be Great
Luke 18:31-43.	Jesus Goes up to Jerusalem*
John 12:20-33.	If I Be Lifted up
O. T.: Psalm 40:7-9.	Lo, I Come

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Temptation

Epistle: II Cor. 6:1-10.

Heb. 4:15, 16.

James 1:12-15.

Gospel: Matt. 4:1-11.

Matt. 16:21-23.

Luke 10:17-20.

Receive not the Grace of God in Vain*
Our Great High PriestThe Temptation of Jesus in the
Wilderness

Jesus Foretells His Suffering

The Return of the Seventy

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Victorious Faith

Epistle: I Thess. 4:1-7.

Heb. 5:5, 7-9.

Gospel: Matt. 15:21-28.

Mark 9:14-32.

Luke 7:36-50.

O. T.: Gen. 32:24-29.

God's Call to Holiness*

The Author of Eternal Salvation

The Woman of Canaan*

Jesus Heals the Demoniac Son

The Woman Who Was a Sinner

Jacob Wrestles with the Angel

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

The Parting

Epistle: Eph. 5:1-9.

Col. 1:24-29.

Gospel: Matt. 26:36-46.

Luke 4:31-37.

Luke 11:14-28.

Luke 22:31-38.

John 7:19-31.

John 13:31-38.

O. T.: Psalm 116:1-9.

Walk as Children of Light*

Christ, the Hope of Glory

Jesus in Gethsemane

The Power and Authority of Jesus

Jesus Reveals the Power of Evil*

Warning and Instruction

Christ's Divinity Challenged

A New Commandment

The Deliverer from Death

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Bread for the Hungry — Jesus Arrested and Tried

Epistle: Rom. 6:19-23.

Gal. 4:22-31.

Gospel: Matt. 26:59-66.

Mark 14:43-50.

John 6:1-15.

John 6:24-36.

John 6:52-66.

John 18:15-27.

O. T.: Psalm 42:1-11.

Jer. 20:7-11.

Free from Sin and Servants to God

The Two Covenants*

Jesus on Trial before the Council

Jesus Meets the Traitor

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand*

The Food Which Endures

My Words Are Spirit and Life

Peter's Denial

My Soul Thirsteth for God

Steadfastness in Trials

Judica. Passion Sunday

Hatred Increasing — Jesus Condemned to Death

Epistle: II Cor. 1:3-7.	Comfort in Tribulation
Heb. 9:11-15.	Christ, the Mediator of a New Covenant*
Gospel: Matt. 27:15-26.	Jesus Delivered to Be Crucified
Luke 23:1-12.	Christ before Pilate and Herod
John 8:31-45.	Christ's Divine Sonship Challenged
John 8:46-50.	Why Do Ye not Believe Me?*
John 11:47-57.	The Prophecy of Caiaphas
John 19:1-11.	Jesus Crowned with Thorns
O. T.: Psalm 69:6-16.	God Will Save Zion

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

The Last Farewell

Epistle: I Cor. 11:23-29.	Let a Man Examine Himself
Phil. 2:5-11.	The Mind of Christ*
Heb. 8:8-12.	The Promise of a New Covenant
Gospel: Luke 22:14-22.	The Institution of the Holy Communion
John 6:32-35.	The Will of Him That Sent Me
John 12:1-16.	Jesus Enters Jerusalem

Good Friday

The Crucifixion

Epistle: Phil. 2:5-11.	The Mind of Christ
Gospel: Luke 23:32-43.	Christ on the Cross
O. T.: Isa. 52:13-53:12.	The Stricken Son of God*

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

The Resurrection of Christ

Epistle: I Cor. 5:7, 8.	The Old and New Leaven*
I Cor. 15:12-21.	In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive
I Cor. 15:53-58.	The Victory over Death
Eph. 1:15-23.	The Church, the Body of Christ
Gospel: Mark 16:1-8.	The Resurrection of Our Lord*
Matt. 28:1-8.	The Women at the Sepulchre
John 20:10-18.	Mary and the Risen Lord

Monday after Easter

The Witnesses of the Resurrection

Epistle: Acts 10:34-43.	The Risen Christ Preached to the Gentiles*
II Cor. 5:14-21.	Reconciliation through Christ
I Peter 1:18-23.	The Cost of Our Redemption

Gospel: Matt. 28:9-15.	The Guard at the Tomb
Luke 24:13-35.	The Disciples in Emmaus*
John 20:1-10.	The Empty Sepulchre

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

The Lord Liveth

Epistle: Acts 3:12-20.	Peter Preaches Repentance
Acts 13:32-41.	Faul Preaches the Risen Christ
I John 5:4-10.	Faith Overcometh the World*
Gospel: John 20:19-31.	Jesus and Thomas*
John 21:1-14.	A Morning Meal with the Risen Christ
John 21:15-23.	Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

The Shepherd and the Sheep

Epistle: Heb. 13:20, 21.	The Great Shepherd of the Sheep
I Peter 2:21-25.	In the Footsteps of Christ*
Gospel: Matt. 9:36-38.	As Sheep Having no Shepherd
John 10:1-10.	True Shepherd and True Sheep
John 10:11-16.	I Am the Good Shepherd*
O. T.: Psalm 23.	The Lord Is My Shepherd

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Homeward Bound

Epistle: II Cor. 4:16-18.	Tribulation Leads to Glory
I Peter 1:3-8.	Born anew to a Living Hope
I Peter 2:11-20.	Christians as Strangers and Pilgrims*
Gospel: John 14:1-12.	Lord, Show Us the Father
John 16:16-23.	Passing Sorrow and Abiding Joy*
John 17:1-8.	Christ Prays for His Disciples

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

The Blessing of Christ's Absence

Epistle: Heb. 13:12-16.	To Do Good and to Communicate
James 1:17-21.	Every Good and Perfect Gift Is from Above*
I John 3:18-24.	Assurance of Salvation
Gospel: John 15:10-17.	Continue Ye in My Love
John 16:5-15.	The Spirit of Truth*
John 17:9-17.	Christ Prays for the Believers

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Prayer

Epistle: Heb. 7:23-27.	The Unchangeable Priesthood of Christ
James 1:22-27.	Hearers and Doers of the Word*
Gospel: Luke 11:1-13.	Encouragement to Prayer
John 16:23-33.	Prayer in the Name of Jesus*
John 17:18-23.	Christ Prays for the Unity of the Church
O. T.: Num. 6:22-27.	The Old Testament Benediction

The Ascension of Our Lord

From Humiliation to Exaltation

Epistle: Acts 1:1-11.	The Ascension of Our Lord*
Rom. 8:34-39.	We Are more than Conquerors
Gospel: Mark 16:14-20.	The Commission and Ascension of Christ*
Luke 24:49-53.	Christ Prays that His Own May Be with Him
John 17:24-26.	The Ascension of Christ
O. T.: Psalm 110:1-3.	Sit Thou at My Right Hand

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Waiting for the Promise of the Father

Epistle: Rom. 8:26-28.	God Works for Good with Those Who Love Him
Col. 3:1-10.	Seek Those Things Which Are above
I Peter 4:7-11.	That God in All Things May Be Glorified*
Gospel: Matt. 10:24-31.	Comfort in Persecution
John 15:18-25.	The Hatred of the World
John 15:26-16:4.	The Promise of the Comforter*

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

The Gift of the Holy Spirit

Epistle: Acts 2:1-18.	The Holy Spirit Fills the Believers*
Acts 2:37-47.	Life in the Apostolic Church
Eph. 2:17-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Gospel: John 7:37-39.	Rivers of Living Water
John 14:15-21.	The Promised Comforter
John 14:23-31.	The Work of the Holy Spirit*

The Monday in Whitsun-Week**The Progress of the Spirit**

Epistle: Acts 10:42-48.	The Holy Spirit Shed upon the Gentiles*
Acts 11:19-26.	The First Church of Gentile Christians
I Cor. 12:12-30.	The Church, the Body of Christ
Gospel: John 3:16-21.	God so Loved the World
John 6:44-47.	The Father Draws Men to the Son
John 12:44-50.	The Judgment on Unbelief

The Festival of the Holy Trinity**The Spirit and the New Life**

Epistle: Rom. 11:33-36.	The Unsearchable Wisdom of God*
Col. 1:9-23.	Christ, the Head of the Church
I John 3:1-9.	Now Are We the Sons of God
Gospel: Matt. 28:18-20.	The Great Commission
John 3:1-15.	Jesus and Nicodemus*
John 15:1-9.	I Am the True Vine

The First Sunday after Trinity**Priceless Values**

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-19.	The Gain of Godliness
James 4:13-16.	What Is Your Life?
I John 4:16-21.	Perfect Love Casteth out Fear*
Gospel: Matt. 16:24-27.	Conditions of Discipleship
Luke 12:13-21.	The Rich Man's Folly
Luke 16:19-31.	The Rich Man and Lazarus*

The Second Sunday after Trinity**The Call to the Kingdom of God**

Epistle: I Cor. 1:26-31.	What God Hath Chosen
I John 3:13-18.	Let Us Love in Deed and in Truth*
Gospel: Luke 9:51-62.	Fitness for the Kingdom
Luke 14:16-24.	The Parable of the Great Supper*
Luke 14:25-35.	Counting the Cost
O. T.: Hosea 11:1-7.	The Lord's Love for Israel

The Third Sunday after Trinity**The Prevenient Grace of God**

Epistle: Rom. 4:1-8.	Abraham Justified by Faith
Eph. 2:1-10.	The Riches of God's Grace
I Peter 5:6-11.	Be Sober, Be Vigilant*

Gospel: Matt. 9:9-13.	The Calling of Matthew
Luke 15:1-10.	The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin*
Luke 15:11-32.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

The Judgment of Men and of God

Epistle: Rom. 2:1-13.	No Respect of Persons with God
Rom. 8:18-23.	The Glorious Liberty of the Children of God*
Rom. 14:1-18.	Lenience in Judgment
Gospel: Luke 6:36-42.	The Mote and the Beam*
Luke 13:1-5.	Exhortation to Repentance
John 8:1-11.	Christ Forgives the Adulteress

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Discipleship

Epistle: Acts 26:1-29.	Paul's Call to the Apostleship
I Peter 3:8-15.	Called to Inherit a Blessing*
Gospel: Matt. 16:13-20.	Peter's Confession of Faith
Luke 5:1-11.	The Draught of Fishes*
John 1:35-51.	John's Disciples Follow Jesus
O. T.: Gen. 12:1-4.	The Call of Abram

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

The Law of God

Epistle: Rom. 6:3-11.	Crucified with Christ*
James 2:8-17.	Faith and Works
Gospel: Matt. 5:17-19.	The Righteousness which Availeth
Matt. 5:20-26.	The Higher Righteousness Required by Christ*
Matt. 5:38-42.	The Law of Love and the Law of Retaliation
O. T.: Isa. 5:8-16.	God's Judgment of the Oppressor

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

On the Mount of Transfiguration

Epistle: II Cor. 12:2-9.	My Grace Is Sufficient for Thee
II Peter 1:16-18.	Christ's Glory and Honor
Rev. 1:9-18.	John's Vision of the Glorified Christ
Gospel: Matt. 17:1-8.	The Transfiguration of Our Lord
Matt. 17:9-13.	Descent from the Mount of Transfiguration
John 13:31, 32.	The Son of Man Is Glorified

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Error

Epistle: Rom. 8:12-17.	The Spirit of Adoption*
Gal. 3:1-4.	The Folly of Apostasy
I John 4:1-6.	How to Try the Spirits
Gospel: Matt. 7:15-21.	Beware of False Prophets*
Matt. 7:22-29.	The Two Foundations

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

The Responsibility of Stewardship

Epistle: I Cor. 10:6-13.	God's Faithfulness in Our Temptations*
II Thess. 3:10-13.	Be not Weary in Well-Doing
Gospel: Luke 12:42-48.	The Reward of the Faithful Steward
Luke 16:1-9.	The Unrighteous Steward*
Luke 16:10-15.	Ye Cannot Serve God and Mammon
O. T.: Prov. 6:6-11.	Warning against Slothfulness

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Wasted Opportunities

Epistle: Rom. 11:17-24.	The Goodness and Severity of God
I Cor. 12:2-11.	Concerning Spiritual Gifts*
Heb. 3:12-19.	Made Partakers of Christ
Gospel: Matt. 11:20-24.	Jesus Denounces the Cities
Luke 4:23-30.	The Rejection in Nazareth
Luke 19:41-47.	Jesus Weeps over Jerusalem*

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

True and False Righteousness

Epistle: Rom. 3:21-31.	Justified by Grace
I Cor. 15:1-10.	The Resurrection Appearances of Christ*
I John 1:8-2:2.	Jesus Christ Our Advocate
Gospel: Matt. 21:28-31.	Parable of the Two Sons
Matt. 23:1-12.	Hypocrisy of the Pharisees
Luke 18:9-14.	The Pharisee and the Publican*

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

The Use of the Tongue

Epistle: I Cor. 2:9-16.	The Hidden Wisdom of God
II Cor. 3:4-18.	Able Ministers of the New Testament*
James 3:8-12.	The Sins of the Tongue
Gospel: Matt. 5:33-37.	Warning against Oaths and Profanity
Matt. 12:33-37.	The Tree Is Known by Its Fruits
Mark 7:31-37.	Jesus Heals a Deaf-Mute*

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Mercy

Epistle: II Cor. 9:6-10.	God Loveth a Cheerful Giver
Gal. 3:16-22.	The Purpose of the Law*
Gal. 3:21-28.	All One in Christ Jesus
I John 4:7-10.	Love Is of God
Gospel: Matt. 5:43-6:4.	Love and the Doing of Alms
Mark 12:41-44.	Jesus and the Widow's Mite
Luke 10:23-37.	Parable of the Good Samaritan*

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Gratitude

Epistle: Gal. 5:16-24.	The Fruit of the Spirit*
I Tim. 1:12-17.	Christ Came to Save Sinners
Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.	Come unto Me
Luke 17:11-19.	Ten Lepers Cleansed*
John 5:1-14.	Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda
O. T.: Psalm 147:1-11.	It Is Good to Praise the Lord

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Our Daily Bread

Epistle: Acts 20:32-35.	It is more Blessed to Give than to Receive
I Cor. 7:29-31.	The Independence of the Christian
Gal. 5:25-6:10.	Let Us not Be Weary in Well-Doing*
Gospel: Matt. 6:19-23.	Treasures Which Abide
Matt. 6:24-34.	Ye Cannot Serve God and Mammon*
Luke 10:38-42.	Jesus Commends Mary

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Shadow of Death

Epistle: II Cor. 4:7-14.	The Life of Jesus Manifested in Our Body
Eph. 3:13-21.	That Christ May Dwell in Your Hearts*
Phil. 1:19-26.	To Me to Live Is Christ
Gospel: Luke 7:11-17.	The Widow's Son Restored to Life*
John 5:19-21.	The Power of Jesus to Give Life
John 11:1-44.	Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

The Liberty of the Christian

Epistle: Gal. 5:1-14.	Christ Has Set Us Free
Eph. 4:1-6.	One Lord, One Faith*
Col. 2:16-23.	A Shadow of Things to Come

Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:5.	The True Observance of the Sabbath
Luke 14:1-11.	Jesus Teaches Humility*
John 8:31-36.	The Truth Shall Make You Free

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Way of Perfection

Epistle: Rom. 10:1-13.	Necessity for the Gospel
I Cor. 1:4-8.	Enriched by Christ in Everything*
I John 2:7-17.	He That Doeth the Will of God Abideth forever
Gospel: Matt. 13:34-46.	The Parable of the Treasure and the Pearls
Matt. 22:34-46.	Love, the Great Commandment*
Mark 10:17-27.	The Rich Young Ruler

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Narrow Way of Faith

Epistle: Rom. 7:14-25.	The Law of Sin in the Flesh
Eph. 4:17-28.	Put on the New Man*
Gospel: Matt. 9:1-8.	Jesus Forgives and Heals the Paralytic*
John 7:40-52.	The People Divided because of Christ
John 9:1-41.	The Man Born Blind
O. T.: Psalm 73:1-5; 22-28.	Whom Have I in Heaven but Thee?

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Spiritual Indifference

Epistle: Eph. 5:15-20.	Walk not as Fools but as Wise*
Heb. 10:19-31.	Stir up One Another to Love and Good Works
I Peter 2:3-9.	Living Stones Built into a Spiritual House
Gospel: Matt. 21:33-46.	Parable of the Vineyard
Matt. 22:1-14.	Marriage of the King's Son*
Matt. 25:14-30.	The Parable of the Talents

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

The Foundation of Faith

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-8.	The Blessings of Justification
Eph. 6:10-18.	The Armor of God*
Heb. 11:24-27.	Seeing Him by Faith
Gospel: Matt. 16:1-4.	The Signs of the Times
John 4:46-53.	Jesus Heals the Nobleman's Son*
John 10:22-30.	The Gift of Eternal Life

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Mutual Forgiveness

Epistle: Eph. 4:30-32.	Grieve not the Holy Spirit
Phil. 1:3-11.	Paul's Prayer for the Philippians*
I Thess. 5:14-23.	The Blameless Christian Life
Gospel: Matt. 18:15-22.	Forgiving Our Brethren
Matt. 18:23-35.	The Unmerciful Servant*
Mark 4:21-25.	The Responsibility of Hearers

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Christian Patriotism

Epistle: Rom. 13:1-7.	Duties of Citizenship
Phil. 3:17-4:3.	Our Citizenship Is in Heaven*
I Tim. 2:1-6.	Exhortation to Prayer
Gospel: Matt. 7:12.	The Golden Rule
Matt. 17:24-27.	Jesus Pays Tribute
Matt. 22:15-22.	The Tribute to Caesar and to God*

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

The Life that Never Dies

Epistle: I Cor. 15:35-49.	The Glory of the Resurrection Life
II Cor. 5:1-10.	We Walk by Faith, not by Sight
Col. 1:9-12.	The Inheritance of the Saints in Light*
Gospel: Matt. 9:18-26.	The Daughter of Jairus*
Luke 20:27-40.	Conditions of the Future Life
John 6:37-40.	The Will of Him That Sent Me

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

The Last Times

Epistle: I Thess. 4:13-18.	The Faithful Resurrected and Transformed*
I Thess. 5:1-10.	God Hath Appointed Us to Salvation
II Thess. 2:1-12.	The Mystery of Iniquity
Gospel: Matt. 24:1-14.	Jesus Teaches concerning His Coming
Matt. 24:15-28.	The Abomination of Desolation*
Luke 13:22-29.	The Closed Door of the Kingdom

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Watchfulness

Epistle: II Peter 3:3-13.	The Coming of the Day of God*
Rev. 22:10-17, 20.	Behold, I Come Quickly

- Gospel: Matt. 24:35-44. The Unexpected Coming of the Son of Man
 Matt. 25:1-13. The Wise and Foolish Virgins
 Mark 13:31-37. Watch and Pray
 O. T.: Ps. 139:1-12; 23, 24. In Praise of God's Omniscience

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

The Last Judgment

- Epistle: I Cor. 15:22-28. The Last Enemy Is Death
 II Thess. 1:3-10. The Righteous Judgment of God
 Rev. 20:11-21:7. The Last Judgment
 Gospel: Matt. 13:47-50. The Parable of the Dragnet
 Matt. 25:31-46. The Son of Man on the Throne of His Glory
 John 5:22-29. The Righteous Judge

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The Revelation

- Epistle: I John 1:1-7. Our Fellowship with the Father
 Gospel: Matt. 13:31-33. The Parable of the Mustard Seed
 Luke 2:22-32. Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon*
 John 1:16-18. Grace and Truth by Jesus Christ
 O. T.: Psalm 100:1-5. Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord
 Mal. 3:1-4. The Lord Shall Suddenly Come*

The Annunciation — March 25

- Gospel: Luke 1:26-38. The Birth of Jesus Promised
 Luke 1:39-45. Mary and Elizabeth
 Luke 1:46-55. The Magnificat of Mary
 O. T.: Isa. 7:10-15. Behold, a Virgin Shall Conceive*
 Isa. 49:5, 6. A Light to the Gentiles
 Jer. 33:14-16. The Branch of Righteousness

The Nativity of St. John, The Baptist — June 24

Heaven and Earth

- Epistle: Acts 17:22-31. Paul at Athens
 Gospel: Mark 6:14-29. The Death of John the Baptist
 Luke 1:5-25. The Birth of John Promised
 Luke 1:57-80. The Dayspring from on High*
 O. T.: Psalm 103:8-18. Praise God for His Mercy
 Isa. 40:1-8. God Comforts His People

St. Michael and All Angels — September 29

Greatness and Lowliness

Epistle: Rev. 12:7-12.	Michael and His Angels Triumph*
Gospel: Matt. 18:1-10.	Except Ye Become as Little Children*
Matt. 21:14-17.	Out of the Mouth of Babes
Mark 10:13-16.	Jesus Blesses Little Children
O. T.: Gen. 28:10-17.	Surely, the Lord Is in This Place
Psalms 113:1-7.	The Lord, the High and Lowly

The Festival of the Reformation — October 31

The Reformation

Epistle: Rom. 1:16, 17.	The Gospel, the Power of God
Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.	Come unto Me

All Saints' Day — November 1

The Saints

Epistle: Heb. 12:1-3.	Looking unto Jesus
Rev. 7:2-4; 9-12.	The White-robed Multitude
Rev. 7:9-17.	The Multitude before the Throne*
Rev. 14:1-3.	The Song of the Redeemed
Gospel: Matt. 5:13-16.	The Salt, the Light, the Candle
Luke 6:20-26.	Blessings and Woes

The Festival of Harvest

Thanksgiving

Epistle: Rom. 11:33-36.	The Unsearchable Wisdom of God
O. T.: Psalm 103:1-5.	Praise God for His Mercy

A Day of Humiliation and Prayer

Repentance

Gospel: Matt. 11:20-24.	Jesus Denounces the Cities
O. T.: Psalm 130:1-8.	There Is Forgiveness with Thee

A Festival of Missions

Gospel: Matt. 28:18-20.	The Great Commission
O. T.: Psalm 96:1-10.	The Beneficent Dominion of God

9. THE EISENACH SELECTIONS

The *Evangelische-Kirchliche Konferenz*, formed in 1852, became the official bond between the Evangelical State Churches of Germany. Although its decisions were only

advisory, the Eisenach Conference accomplished much in the field of hymnology, liturgiology, administration, and policy. In 1896 the Conference approved the work of a committee which had been named to revise the historic pericopes and to supplement them with a series of Epistle, Gospel, and Old Testament selections. These Eisenach Selections came into quite general use in Germany and later also in America. They are included in the General Rubrics of the *Common Service Book* and will appear also in the *Common Lutheran Hymnal*.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Heb. 10:19-25.

Gospel: Luke 1:68-79.

O. T.: Jer. 31:31-34.

By a New and Living Way

The Dayspring from on High

The New Covenant

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: II Peter 1:3-11.

Gospel: Luke 17:20-30.

O. T.: Mal. 4:1-6.

Increment of Christian Graces

The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst
of You

The Healing Sun of Righteousness

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: II Tim. 4:5-8.

Gospel: Matt. 3:1-11.

O. T.: Isa. 40:1-8.

A Crown of Righteousness

John the Baptist's Call to Repentance

God Comforts His People

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I John 1:1-4.

Gospel: John 1:15-18.

O. T.: Deut. 18:15-19.

Our Fellowship with the Father

Grace and Truth by Jesus Christ

A Prophet from among Their Brethren

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: I John 3:1-5.

Gospel: Matt. 1:18-23.

O. T.: Isa. 9:6, 7.

Now Are We the Sons of God

Emmanuel, God with Us

Unto Us a Child Is Born

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: II Cor. 5:1-9.

Gospel: Luke 2:25-32.

O. T.: Isa. 63:7-16.

We Walk by Faith, not by Sight

Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon

The Lovingkindness of the Lord

New Year's Day

Epistle: Rom. 8:24-32.

God Works for Good with Those Who
Love Him

Gospel: Luke 4:16-21.

The Acceptable Year of the Lord

O. T.: Psalm 90.

Lord, Thou Hast Been Our Dwelling
[Place**The Sunday after New Year**

Epistle: James 4:13-17.

What Is Your Life?

Gospel: Matt. 16:1-4.

The Signs of the Times

O. T.: Psalm 73:23-28.

Whom Have I in Heaven but Thee?

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: II Cor. 4:3-6.

God Hath Shined in Our Hearts

Gospel: Matt. 3:13-17.

This Is My Beloved Son

O. T.: Isa. 2:2-5.

The Kingdom of the Lord Shall Be
[Established**The First Sunday after Epiphany**

Epistle: II Cor. 6:14-7:1.

The Appeal to Separation

Gospel: John 1:35-42.

Behold the Lamb of God

O. T.: Psalm 122.

The Glory of God's House

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 2:6-16.

The Hidden Wisdom of God

Gospel: John 1:43-51.

Philip and Nathanael

O. T.: Isa. 61:1-6.

The Office of Christ

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 1:13-20.

The Gospel, the Power of God

Gospel: John 4:5-14.

The Inward Well of Living Water

O. T.: II Ki. 5:1-19.

Naaman the Leper

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 7:7-16.

Sin Revealed by the Law

Gospel: John 4:31-42.

Fields White unto Harvest

O. T.: Psalm 93.

The Majesty and Power of God

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 8:1-9.

Free from Condemnation

Gospel: Matt. 7:24-29.

The Two Foundations

O. T.: Ezek. 33:10-16.

Turn Ye from Your Evil Ways

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: II Cor. 3:12-18.

The Veil of Moses

Gospel: John 5:39-47.

The Scriptures Testify of Christ

O. T.: Exod. 3:1-6.

Moses and the Burning Bush

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: Phil. 1:27-2:4.
 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42.
 O. T.: Jer. 9:23, 24.

Life Worthy of the Gospel
 Jesus Commends Mary
 Cause for True Glorifying

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: Phil. 1:12-21.
 Gospel: John 11:20-27.
 O. T.: Amos 8:11, 12.

To Me to Live Is Christ
 I Am the Resurrection and the Life
 A Famine of God's Word

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: I Cor. 1:21-31.
 Gospel: Mark 10:35-45.
 John 11:47-57.
 O. T.: Jer. 8:4-9.

We Preach Christ Crucified
 Whosoever Will Be Great
 The Prophecy of Caiaphas
 The Impenitence of God's People

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 4:15, 16.
 Gospel: Matt. 16:21-26.
 Luke 22:39-46.
 O. T.: Gen. 22:1-14.

Our Great High Priest
 Jesus Foretells His Suffering
 Jesus Prays in Gethsemane
 Abraham Offers His Son Isaac

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I John 2:12-17.
 Gospel: Luke 10:17-20.
 Luke 22:54-62.
 O. T.: Exod. 33:17-23.

Love not the World
 The Return of the Seventy
 Peter Denies His Lord
 Moses Seeks to See God's Glory

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Peter 1:13-16.
 Gospel: Luke 9:51-56.
 Luke 22:63-71.
 O. T.: Jer. 26:1-15.

Be Ye Holy, for I Am Holy
 The Son of Man Is Come to Save
 Christ before the Council
 The Message in the Temple Court

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: II Cor. 7:4-10.
 Gospel: John 6:47-57.
 Matt. 27:15-31.
 O. T.: Isa. 52:7-10.

Repentance unto Salvation
 I Am the Bread of Life
 Jesus Delivered to Be Crucified
 Good Tidings of Salvation

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: I Peter 1:17-25.
 Gospel: John 13:31-35.
 Luke 23:27-34.
 O. T.: Num. 21:4-9.

The Cost of Our Redemption
 The New Commandment
 Jesus Is Crucified
 Moses and the Fiery Serpents

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 12:1-6.	Looking unto Jesus
Gospel: John 12:1-8.	Mary Anoints the Feet of Jesus
O. T.: Zech. 9:8-12.	Behold Thy King Cometh unto Thee

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: I Cor. 10:16, 17.	The Cup of Blessing
Gospel: Luke 22:14-20.	The Institution of the Holy Communion
O. T.: Psalm 111.	The Lord, the Great and Gracious

Good Friday

Epistle: II Cor. 5:14-21.	Reconciliation through Christ
Gospel: Luke 23:39-46.	Jesus Dies on the Cross
O. T.: Psalm 22:1-11.	The Forsaken Sufferer

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Cor. 15:12-20.	In Christ Shall All Be Made Alive
Gospel: Matt. 28:1-10.	The Women at the Sepulchre
O. T.: Psalm 118:14-24.	He Hath not Given Me over unto Death

Monday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:54-58.	The Victory over Death
Gospel: John 20:11-18.	Mary and the Risen Lord
O. T.: Psalm 16:8-11.	My Flesh also Shall Rest in Hope

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Peter 1:3-9.	Born Anew to a Living Hope
Gospel: John 21:15-19.	Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter
O. T.: Gen. 22:1-18.	Jacob Wrestles with the Angel

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Eph. 2:4-10.	The Riches of God's Grace
Gospel: John 14:1-6.	The Way, the Truth, and the Life
O. T.: Psalm 23.	The Lord Is My Shepherd

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 4:9-14.	The Propitiation of Our Sins
Gospel: John 12:20-26.	We Would See Jesus
O. T.: Isa. 40:26-31.	God Giveth Power and Strength

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: II Tim. 2:8-13.	The Word of God Is not Bound
Gospel: John 6:60-69.	The Confession of Peter
O. T.: Psalm 98.	God Hath Done Marvellous Things

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Tim. 2:1-6.	One Mediator between God and Men
Gospel: Luke 11:5-13.	Encouragement to Prayer
O. T.: Isa. 55:6-11.	My Word Shall not Return Void

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Col. 3:1-4.	Seek Those Things Which Are above
Gospel: Luke 24:50-53.	The Ascension of Christ
John 17:11-26.	Christ Prays for the Believers
O. T.: Psalm 110.	Sit Thou at My Right Hand

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: Eph. 1:15-23.	The Church, the Body of Christ
Gospel: John 7:33-39.	Rivers of Living Water
O. T.: Psalm 42.	My Soul Thirsteth for God

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Eph. 2:10-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Gospel: John 14:15-21.	The Promised Comforter
O. T.: Ezek. 36:22-28.	God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Eph. 4:11-16.	The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: John 15:9-16.	Continue Ye in My Love
O. T.: Isa. 44:1-6.	Beside Me there Is no God

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 1:3-14.	Blessed with Spiritual Blessings
II Cor. 13:11-14.	The New Testament Benediction
Gospel: Matt. 28:16-20.	The Great Commission
O. T.: Isa. 6:1-8.	The Prophet's Vision of the Lord's Glory
Num. 6:22-27.	The Blessing of Moses

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:32-35.	Believers of One Heart and Soul
Gospel: Matt. 13:31-35.	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
O. T.: Deut. 6:4-13.	Love to God Enjoined

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 10:1-15.	Necessity for the Gospel
Gospel: Matt. 9:9-13.	The Calling of Matthew
O. T.: Prov. 9:1-10.	True Wisdom

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 3:1-16.	The Lame Man Healed
Gospel: Luke 15:11-32.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son
O. T.: Isa. 12:1-6.	God Is My Salvation

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:1-12.	Peter and John before the Rulers
Gospel: Matt. 5:13-16.	The Salt, the Light, and the Candle
O. T.: Isa. 65:17-19, 24, 28.	The New Jerusalem

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 5:34-42.	Samuel's Wise Counsel
Gospel: Luke 9:18-26.	Conditions of Discipleship
O. T.: Lam. 3:22-32.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 8:26-38.	Philip and the Ethiopian
Gospel: Matt. 21:28-32.	Parable of the Two Sons
O. T.: Psalm 1.	Obedience and Disobedience

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-12.	The Gain of Godliness
Gospel: Mark 4:26-29.	The Growth of the Seed
O. T.: Isa. 62:6-12.	Raising aloft the Banner of God

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 16:16-32.	Paul and Silas at Philippi
Gospel: Matt. 12:46-50.	Who Are My Brethren?
O. T.: Jer. 23:16-29.	Judgment against False Prophets

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 17:16-34.	Paul at Athens
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-46.	The Parable of the Treasure and the Pearl
O. T.: Prov. 16:1-9.	God's Mind and Man's Mind

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 20:17-38.	Charge to the Elders at Miletus
Gospel: Matt. 23:24-39.	Jesus Laments over Jerusalem
O. T.: Jer. 7:1-11.	A Call to True Repentance

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 8:33-39.	We Are more than Conquerors
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50.	The Woman Who Was a Sinner
O. T.: Dan. 9:15-19.	The Prayer of Daniel

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 16:9-15.	The Macedonian Call
Gospel: John 8:31-36.	The Truth Shall Make You Free
O. T.: Isa. 29:18-21.	The Promise of Good Things to Come

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Peter 2:1-10.	Ye Are a Chosen Generation
Gospel: Mark 12:41-44.	Jesus and the Widow's Mite
O. T.: Zech. 7:4-10.	Kingdom Requirements

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 1:12-17.	Christ Came to Save Sinners
Gospel: John 5:1-14.	Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda
O. T.: Psalm 50:14-23.	God's Delight in Obedience

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Thess. 3:6-13.	Be not Weary in Well-Doing
Gospel: John 11:1-11.	Jesus and His Friends in Bethany
O. T.: I Ki. 17:8-16.	Elijah and the Widow

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 12:18-24.	The Heavenly Jerusalem
Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.	Come unto Me
O. T.: Job 5:17-26.	The Happy End of God's Correction

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 4:9-13.	A Rest to the People of God
Gospel: Matt. 12:1-8.	Lord even of the Sabbath Day
O. T.: Psalm 75:4-7.	The Proud Rebuked

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 2:10-17.	Faith and Works
Gospel: Mark 10:17-27.	The Rich Young Ruler
O. T.: II Chron. 1:7-12.	Solomon's Choice of Wisdom

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 5:13-20.	Effectual Fervent Prayer
Gospel: John 9:24-41.	The Testimony of the Man Born Blind
O. T.: Psalm 32:1-7.	The Blessedness of the Forgiven Man

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 14:1-9.	None of Us Liveth to Himself
Gospel: John 15:1-8.	I Am the True Vine
O. T.: Prov. 2:1-8.	In Praise of Wisdom

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 6:1-9.	Domestic Duties
Gospel: Mark 10:13-16.	Jesus Blesses Little Children
O. T.: II Sam. 7:17-19.	David's Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 13:1-9.	Admonitions to Charity and Honesty
Gospel: Luke 9:57-62.	Fitness for the Kingdom
O. T.: Prov. 24:14-20.	The Security of the Just Man

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 4:4-11.	A Good Minister of Jesus Christ
Gospel: Matt. 10:24-33.	Comfort in Persecution
O. T.: Psalm 85:6-13.	The Nearness of God's Salvation

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Thess. 5:14-24.	The Blameless Christian Life
Gospel: John 10:23-30.	The Gift of Eternal Life
O. T.: Psalm 39.	The Brevity and Vanity of Life

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 10:32-39.	Perseverance in Hope
Gospel: John 5:19-29.	The Righteous Judge
O. T.: Job 14:1-5.	The Brevity of Man's Life

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 2:8-11.	Be Thou Faithful unto Death
Gospel: Luke 19:11-27.	Blessed Are the Faithful
O. T.: Psalm 126.	They That Sow in Tears Shall Reap in Joy

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 7:9-17.	The Multitude before the Throne
Gospel: Luke 12:35-43.	Be Ye therefore Ready
O. T.: Isa. 35:3-10.	The Return of the Ransomed of the Lord

The Festival of the Reformation

Epistle: I Cor. 3:11-23.	Other Foundation Can no Man Lay
Gospel: John 2:13-17.	Jesus Cleanses the Temple
O. T.: Psalm 46.	God Is Our Refuge and Strength

The Festival of Harvest

Epistle: II Cor. 9:6-11.	God Loveth a Cheerful Giver
Gospel: John 6:24-29.	The Food Which Endures
O. T.: Psalm 34:2-9.	They Are Blessed That Trust in the Lord

10. THE SYNODICAL CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

Two Gospel series and one each from the Epistles and the Old Testament constitute the Synodical Conference Selections and offer a wide variety of texts for the Church Year. They were prepared by the Rev. Frederic H. K. Soll, submitted with the advice of a Committee on Revision and adopted by the Synodical Conference in 1912. The freshness of approach and the new insights into the vital truths of faith and life which they offer have established these selections as one of the richest and fullest of the pericope systems.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 1:16-20.	The Gospel, the Power of God
Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.	Come unto Me
Luke 17:20-25.	The Kingdom of God Is in the Midst of You
O. T.: Psalm 24:1-10.	Preparing the King's Highway

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: II Tim. 3:10-17.	The Value of the Holy Scriptures
Gospel: Luke 17:26-37.	The Coming of the Son of Man
Luke 1:67-80.	The Dayspring from on High
O. T.: Deut. 18:15-22.	A Prophet from among Their Brethren

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Cor. 9:16-23.	All Things to All Men
Gospel: Matt. 3:1-12.	John the Baptist's Call to Repentance
Luke 3:3-14.	John Preaches and Baptizes
O. T.: Isa. 61.	The Office of Christ

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Tim. 2:1-6.	One Mediator between God and Men
Gospel: Mark 6:17-29.	The Death of John the Baptist
John 1:29-34.	This Is the Son of God
O. T.: Hag. 2:7-10.	The Glory of the Second Temple

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: Heb. 1:1-12.	God Hath Spoken unto Us by His Son
Gospel: Matt. 1:18-25.	Emmanuel, God with Us
John 1:1-14.	The Word Was Made Flesh
O. T.: Isa. 9:2-7.	Unto Us a Child Is Born

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: I John 4:9-16.	The Propitiation of our Sins
Gospel: Luke 1:46-55.	The Magnificat of Mary
John 1:15-18.	Grace and Truth by Jesus Christ
O. T.: Zech. 2:10-13.	Rejoice, O Daughter of Zion

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: I Peter 2:1-10.	Ye Are a Chosen Generation
Gospel: Luke 2:22-32.	Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon
Luke 9:57-62.	Fitness for the Kingdom
O. T.: Isa. 28:14-19.	Christ, the Sure Foundation

New Year's Day

Epistle: Col. 2:6-15.	Rooted and Built up in Jesus
Gospel: Luke 13:1-9.	Parable of the Fig Tree
Luke 12:4-9.	Confessing Christ before Men
O. T.: Psalm 121:1-8.	Divine Help and Protection

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: Rom. 3:21-26.	Justification by Grace
Gospel: Matt. 9:9-13.	The Calling of Matthew
Luke 13:18-24.	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
O. T.: Lam. 3:22-32.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: Acts 8:26-39.	Philip and the Ethiopian
Gospel: Luke 4:16-21.	The Acceptable Year of the Lord
Matt. 4:12-17.	Jesus Preaches Repentance
O. T.: Isa. 60:1-11.	Arise, Shine, for Thy Light Is Come

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 10:8-18.	The Universality of the Gospel
Gospel: John 6:28-40.	The Will of Him That Sent Me
Matt. 10:32-39.	Conditions of Discipleship
O. T.: Psalm 78:1-7.	Declaring God's Law

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Eph. 5:22-33.	Christ the Head of the Church
Gospel: Matt. 12:46-50.	Who Are My Brethren?
John 1:35-42.	Behold the Lamb of God
O. T.: Psalm 104:24-35.	The Providence of the Lord

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 8:24-30.	God Works for Good with Those Who Love Him
Gospel: Luke 4:38-44.	The Great Physician
John 4:1-14.	The Inward Well of Living Water
O. T.: Dan. 6:10-23.	Daniel in the Lions' Den

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 3:1-11.	Christ the True Foundation
Gospel: Matt. 14:22-33.	Jesus Walks upon the Sea
John 4:15-26.	Worship in Spirit and in Truth
O. T.: I Ki. 19:9-18.	God's Voice Comes to Elijah

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Col. 2:16-23.	A Shadow of Things to Come
Gospel: Matt. 13:31-35.	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
Mark 4:26-32.	The Growth of the Seed
O. T.: Gen. 11:1-9.	The Confusion of Tongues

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: II Peter 3:14-18.	Exhortation to Remain Steadfast
Gospel: Mark 9:2-13.	The Transfiguration of Christ
John 4:27-42.	Christ the Savior of the World
O. T.: Gen. 28:10-22.	Jacob's Vision of the Ladder

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: Eph. 1:3-14.	Blessed with Spiritual Blessings
Gospel: Matt. 5:17-29.	The Righteousness Which Availeth
Luke 10:38-42.	Jesus Commends Mary
O. T.: Jer. 31:31-34.	The New Covenant

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: Acts 16:24-35.	The Conversion of the Jailer at Philippi
Gospel: John 8:25-36.	The Truth Shall Make You Free
Matt. 16:13-20.	Peter's Confession of Christ
O. T.: I Sam. 17:42-51.	David and Goliath

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: Heb. 13:12-21.	The Sacrifice of Praise to God
Gospel: Matt. 20:17-28.	The Son of Man Is Come to Minister
Matt. 16:21-23.	Jesus Foretells His Suffering
O. T.: Jonah 3:10-4:11.	God Reproves Jonah

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Rom. 3:27-31.	Justification by Faith
Gospel: Luke 4:1-15.	The Temptation of Christ
John 15:9-17.	Continue Ye in My Love
O. T.: Gen. 3:1-15.	The Fall of Adam and Eve

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Cor. 1:18-25.	The Preaching of the Cross
Gospel: John 12:20-26.	We Would See Jesus
John 15:18-25.	The Hatred of the World
O. T.: Gen. 22:1-19.	Abraham Offers His Son Isaac

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Gal. 2:17-21.	Justification by Faith
Gospel: John 2:13-25.	Jesus Cleanses the Temple
Mark 10:35-45.	The Son of Man Came to Serve
O. T.: Psalm 25.	Salvation of God

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Rev. 5:8-14.	Worthy Is the Lamb That Was Slain
Gospel: John 11:46-57.	The Prophecy of Caiaphas
John 17:1-16.	Christ Prays for His Disciples
O. T.: Deut. 7:6-11.	God's Love of His People

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: Eph. 2:1-10.	The Riches of God's Grace
Gospel: John 12:27-36.	If I Be Lifted up
Matt. 23:34-39.	Jesus Laments over Jerusalem
O. T.: Gen. 14:8-20.	Abram and Melchizedek

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Phil. 2:12-18.	The Sons of God as Lights in the World
Gospel: John 3:22-36.	John's Witness of Christ
John 12:1-11.	Mary Anoints the Feet of Jesus
John 12:12-19.	Jesus Enters Jerusalem
O. T.: Psalm 8.	God's Great Love to Man

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: I Cor. 10:14-21.

Gospel: Matt. 26:17-30.

Luke 22:7-20.

O. T.: Exod. 12:1-14.

The Cup of Blessing

The Institution of the Holy Communion

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The Passover Instituted

Good Friday

Epistle: II Cor. 5:14-21.

Gospel: Luke 23:39-53.

John 19:17-30.

O. T.: Isa. 53.

Reconciliation through Christ

Jesus Dies on the Cross

The Crucifixion and Death of Christ

Christ's Suffering Foretold

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: Acts 13:26-39.

Gospel: Luke 24:1-12.

Matt. 28:1-10.

O. T.: Job 19:23-27.

Paul Preaches the Risen Christ

The Resurrection of the Lord

The Women at the Sepulchre

I Know that My Redeemer Liveth

Monday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:50-58.

Gospel: Luke 24:36-49.

John 20:11-18.

O. T.: Isa. 52:7-10.

The Victory over Death

The Risen Christ Appears to the Eleven

Mary and the Risen Lord

The Lord Hath Comforted His People

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Eph. 2:11-18.

Gospel: Matt. 12:38-42.

John 21:1-14.

O. T.: II Sam. 12:1-10.

Christ Jesus Our Peace

The Sign of the Prophet Jonah

A Morning Meal with the Risen Christ

Nathan's Parable

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Heb. 4:1-13.

Gospel: John 10:1-11.

John 10:17-21.

O. T.: Psalm 23.

A Rest to the People of God

I Am the Good Shepherd

Christ Lays down His Life

The Lord Is My Shepherd

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 2:3-11.

Gospel: Mark 2:18-22.

John 11:1-16.

O. T.: Psalm 100.

Love Perfected in Obedience

Parables of the Cloth and the Bottles

Jesus and His Friends in Bethany

Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Eph. 2:19-22.	Fellow Citizens with the Saints
Gospel: John 5:19-29.	The Righteous Judge
John 11:17-27.	I Am the Resurrection and the Life
O. T.: Jer. 15:15-21.	God's Promise to Save

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 3:19-24.	Assurance of Salvation
Gospel: Luke 18:1-8.	The Importunate Widow
John 11:28-45.	Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life
O. T.: Gen. 18:16-33.	Abraham Pleads for Sodom

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Eph. 4:7-16.	The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: Luke 24:50-53.	The Ascension of Christ
John 17:17-26.	Christ Prays for the Believers
O. T.: Psalm 47.	God Is Gone up with a Shout

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: II Cor. 5:1-10.	We Walk by Faith, not by Sight
Gospel: John 8:12-20.	I Am the Light of the World
Luke 11:5-13.	Encouragement to Prayer
O. T.: Isa. 55.	Call to Faith and Repentance

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: I Cor. 2:6-16.	The Hidden Wisdom of God
Gospel: John 14:15-21.	The Promised Comforter
John 6:60-71.	The Confession of Peter
O. T.: Ezek. 36:22-28.	God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Acts 2:33-42.	Peter's Preaching Bears Fruit
Gospel: John 7:33-39.	Rivers of Living Water
Matt. 10:16-22.	The Twelve Instructed and Sent forth
O. T.: Psalm 80:15-20.	The Vineyard of the Lord's Planting

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: I Peter 1:1-9.	Born anew to a Living Hope
Gospel: Matt. 3:13-17.	This Is My Beloved Son
Matt. 28:16-20.	The Great Commission
O. T.: Num. 6:22-27.	The Blessing of Moses

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 8:1-11.	Free from Condemnation
Gospel: Matt. 19:16-26.	The Rich Young Ruler
John 15:1-8.	I Am the True Vine
O. T.: Prov. 11:23-31.	The Blessings of the Liberal Soul

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 13:1-9.	Admonitions to Charity and Honesty
Gospel: John 8:1-11.	Christ Forgives the Adulteress
Matt. 11:16-24.	Jesus Denounces the Cities
O. T.: Judg. 2:1-12.	The People at Bochim Rebuked

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 1:8-17.	Christ Came to Save Sinners
Gospel: Luke 15:11-32.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son
Mark 10:13-16.	Jesus Blesses Little Children
O. T.: II Chron. 33:9-16.	Manasseh Restored

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 7:54-8:3.	Stephen Stoned to Death
Gospel: Matt. 7:1-6.	Judge not, that Ye Be not Judged
Luke 17:1-10.	Forgiveness Enjoined
O. T.: Isa. 12:1-6.	God Is My Salvation

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 9:1-22.	The Conversion of Saul
Gospel: John 1:43-51.	Philip and Nathanael
John 21:15-19.	Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter
O. T.: Exod. 3:1-15.	Moses and the Burning Bush

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 6:12-18.	Servants of Righteousness
Gospel: Matt. 18:1-14.	Except Ye Become as Little Children
Matt. 15:1-9.	God's Commandments and Men's Traditions
O. T.: Gen. 4:3-16.	Cain Murders His Brother Abel

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 4:29-32.	Grieve not the Holy Spirit
Gospel: Matt. 18:15-22.	Forgiving Our Brethren
Matt. 15:10-20.	That Which Defiles a Man
O. T.: I Ki. 17:1-16.	Elijah and the Widow

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 4:1-6.	How to Try the Spirits
Gospel: John 7:14-24.	Jesus Teaches in the Temple
John 5:30-38.	Greater Witness than John
O. T.: Jer. 23:21-32.	Judgment against False Prophets

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-10.	The Gain of Godliness
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44.	Jesus and the Widow's Mite
John 5:39-47.	The Scriptures Testify of Christ
O. T.: Exod. 32:1-14.	Worship of the Golden Calf

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:8-20.	Boldness of Peter and John
Gospel: Matt. 21:33-46.	Parable of the Vineyard
Matt. 21:12-22.	Jesus Cleanses the Temple
O. T.: Deut. 4:23-31.	Dispersion of Israel Prophesied

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Tim. 4:1-8.	A Crown of Righteousness
Gospel: Mark 2:13-17.	The Call of Matthew
John 9:1-7.	Jesus Heals the Man Born Blind
O. T.: Micah 2:7-13.	The Restoration of Jacob Promised

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 3:12-18.	The Veil of Moses
Gospel: Matt. 9:27-34.	Jesus Heals Two Blind Men
John 9:24-41.	The Testimony of the Man Born Blind
O. T.: Exod. 34:29-35.	Moses' Shining Face

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: James 1:2-12.	The Worth and Work of Trials
Gospel: John 7:25-31.	Christ's Divinity Challenged
Mark 12:28-37.	Jesus Refutes the Scribes
O. T.: Exod. 20:18-24.	The Lord Commands an Altar to Be Built

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 7:14-25.	The Law of Sin in the Flesh
Gospel: Luke 7:36-50.	The Woman Who Was a Sinner
Matt. 12:9-21.	Jesus Heals the Withered Hand
O. T.: Num. 21:4-9.	Moses and the Fiery Serpents

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Cor. 9:6-11.	God Loveth a Cheerful Giver
Gospel: John 14:7-14.	Lord, Show Us the Father
Luke 14:12-15.	Admonition to Feed the Poor
O. T.: I Ki. 18:21-40.	The Prophets of Baal Slain

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 3:1-9.	God's Great Love toward Us
Gospel: Matt. 22:23-33.	The God of the Living
Luke 20:27-40.	Conditions of the Future Life
O. T.: II Ki. 5:8-19.	Naaman the Leper Healed

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 6:1-7.	The Seven Deacons Chosen
Gospel: Luke 13:10-17.	Jesus Heals on the Sabbath Day
Matt. 12:1-8.	Lord even of the Sabbath Day
O. T.: I Sam. 15:13-26.	The Lord Rejects King Saul

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: II Thess. 3:1-5.	Paul Seeks the Prayers of the Brethren
Gospel: Matt. 5:1-12.	The Beatitudes
Matt. 6:5-15.	The Lord's Prayer
O. T.: Ezek. 3:17-21.	God's Instruction to the Prophet

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Col. 3:1-10.	Seek Those Things Which Are above
Gospel: Matt. 10:40-42.	Reward to the Hospitable
Matt. 6:19-23.	Treasures Which Abide
O. T.: Psalm 37:25-40.	Inheritance of the Righteous

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: I John 1:5-2:2.	Jesus Christ Our Advocate
Gospel: Luke 6:43-49.	The Wise and Foolish Builders
Matt. 7:24-29.	The Two Foundations
O. T.: II Ki. 2:6-18.	Elijah and the Chariot of Fire

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 14:4-12.	Judging One's Brother
Gospel: Mark 10:46-52.	Blind Bartimaeus Healed
John 5:1-9.	Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda
O. T.: Dan. 3:19-30.	Three Men in the Fiery Furnace

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 4:1-8.	Abraham Justified by Faith
Gospel: Luke 14:25-35.	Counting the Cost
Luke 8:27-39.	The Legion of Devils Cast out
O. T.: Gen. 50:15-23.	Joseph Comforts His Brethren

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 20:26-32.	Charge to the Elders at Miletus
Gospel: Matt. 17:24-27.	Jesus Pays Tribute
John 7:1-13.	My Time Is not yet Come
O. T.: I Sam. 20:27-42.	Saul Seeks David's Life

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 3:7-13.	The Letter to the Church in Philadelphia
Gospel: Mark 8:34-38.	What Shall It Profit a Man?
John 10:22-30.	The Gift of Eternal Life
O. T.: Isa. 54:7-13.	God's Kindness Shall not Depart

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rom. 8:31-39.	We Are more than Conquerors
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-52.	Parable of the Pearl and the Dragnet
Matt. 16:1-12.	The Leaven of the Pharisees
O. T.: Exod. 33:11-17.	God Promises Moses His Presence

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Heb. 4:14-16.	Our Great High Priest
Gospel: Luke 19:11-27.	Blessed Are the Faithful
Luke 16:10-17.	Ye Cannot Serve God and Mammon
O. T.: Gen. 19:15-29.	Sodom and Gomorrah Destroyed

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 22:12-21.	Behold, I Come Quickly
Gospel: Matt. 25:13-30.	The Parable of the Talents
Luke 22:24-30.	Greatness in the Kingdom
O. T.: Psalm 126.	They That Sow in Tears Shall Reap in Joy

The Festival of the Reformation

Epistle: II Thess. 2:7-17.	The Mystery of Iniquity
Gospel: Matt. 23:1-12.	Hypocrisy of the Pharisees
Luke 7:27-35.	Christ's Testimony of John
O. T.: II Ki. 23:21-27.	My Name Shall Be there
Psalm 46.	God Is Our Refuge and Strength

The Festival of Harvest

Epistle: Acts 14:11-17
 Gospel: Luke 12:24-34.
 Matt. 6:1-4.
 O. T.: Gen. 8:15-22.

Paul and Barnabas Accounted Gods
 God's Faithful Providence
 Doing of Alms in Secret
 God's Promise of Harvest

A Day of Humiliation and Prayer

Epistle: Rev. 2:1-7.
 Gospel: Luke 12:42-48.
 Luke 12:35-40.
 O. T.: Dan. 9:4-9.

The Letter to the Church of Ephesus
 The Reward of the Faithful Steward
 Be Ye therefore Ready
 Daniel's Confession

The Festival of Missions

Epistle: Acts 16:9-15.
 Gospel: Matt. 9:35-38.
 Matt. 5:13-16.
 O. T.: Zeph. 3:8-17.

The Macedonian Call
 The Harvest Is Plenteous
 The Salt, the Light, the Candle
 Restoration of Israel

A Day of General or Special Thanksgiving

Epistle: Acts 17:22-31.
 Gospel: Luke 12:15-21.
 Matt. 5:42-48.
 O. T.: Deut. 8:6-18.

Paul at Athens
 The Rich Man's Folly
 God's Impartial Providence
 Remember the Lord Thy God

II. THE LENSKI GOSPEL SELECTIONS

These selections were first published in 1919 as "A New Gospel Series." They were prepared by Dr. R. C. H. Lenski, a distinguished theologian, teacher, and writer, while he was on the faculty of the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. Although these selections duplicate a number of texts in the Thomasius and the Synodical Conference series they are included in this compilation because of the use that is made of the Book of Acts in the nonfestival half of the Church Year.

The First Sunday in Advent

Acts 3:22-26.

A Prophet from among Your Brethren

The Second Sunday in Advent

Matt. 24:1-14.

Jesus Teaches concerning His Coming

The Third Sunday in Advent

Luke 3:15-18.

One Mightier than I Cometh

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Luke 1:46-55.

The Magnificat of Mary

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

John 3:16-21.

God So Loved the World

The Sunday after Christmas

Luke 12:16-21.

The Rich Man's Folly

New Year's Day

Luke 13:6-9.

Parable of the Fig Tree

The Sunday after New Year

Luke 12:4-9.

Confessing Christ before Men

The Epiphany of Our Lord

John 1:29-34.

This Is the Son of God

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Matt. 4:12-17, 23-25.

Jesus Preaches Repentance

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

John 7:40-53.

The People Divided because of Christ

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Matt. 9:35-38.

The Harvest Is Plenteous

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

John 6:16-21.

Jesus Walks upon the Water

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

John 6:30-35.

I Am the Bread of Life

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

John 3:31-36.

Whom God Hath Sent

Septuagesima Sunday

Matt. 5:1-12.

The Beatitudes

Sexagesima Sunday

Matt. 11:16-24.

Jesus Denounces the Cities

Quinquagesima Sunday

Matt. 21:33-44.

Parable of the Vineyard

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

John 2:18-22.

Jesus Foretells His Resurrection

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Matt. 12:38-42.

The Sign of the Prophet Jonah

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Luke 19:1-10.

Jesus and Zacchaeus

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

John 12:27-33.

Jesus Predicts His Suffering

Judica. Passion Sunday

John 11:47-53.

The Prophecy of Caiaphas

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

John 12:12-19.

Jesus Enters Jerusalem

Thursday in Holy Week

Mark 14:17-26.

The Last Supper

Good Friday

John 19:28-37.

The Death of Jesus

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Luke 24:1-12.

The Resurrection of the Lord

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Luke 24:36-47.

The Risen Christ Appears to the Eleven

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Matt. 16:15-20.

Peter's Confession of Faith

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Mark 8:34-38.

What Shall It Profit a Man?

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

John 17:17-24.

Christ Prays for His Disciples

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Matt. 6:9-13.

The Lord's Prayer

The Ascension of Our Lord

Acts 1:6-11.

The Ascension of Our Lord

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Matt. 10:19-22.

The Twelve Instructed and Sent forth

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Acts 2:41-47.

Life in the Apostolic Church

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Acts 2:37-40.

Peter's Preaching Bears Fruit

The First Sunday after Trinity

John 12:44-50.

The Judgment on Unbelief

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Acts 17:10-14.

Paul and Silas in Berea

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Acts 24:24-27.

Paul's Second Hearing before Felix

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Acts 13:38-43.

Paul Preaches at Antioch

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Acts 6:8-15.

Stephen before the Council

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Acts 5:1-11.

Ananias and Sapphira

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Acts 18:24-28.

Apollos Instructed

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Acts 9:36-43.

The Miracles of Peter

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

John 7:10-18.

Jesus Teaches in the Temple

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Acts 13:44-49.

Lo, We Turn to the Gentiles

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 18:1-5.

Jesus Teaches Humility

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 6:1-8.

Doing of Alms in Secret

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 12:49-57.

Divisions because of the Gospel

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

John 15:17-27.

The Hatred of the World

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 5:43-48.

God's Impartial Providence

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 17:7-10.

We Are Unprofitable Servants

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 13:10-17.

Jesus Heals on the Sabbath Day

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 25:14-30.

The Parable of the Talents

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Acts 21:8-14.

Paul at Caesarea

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 23:1-12.

Hypocrisy of the Pharisees

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 18:15-20.

Forgiving Our Brethren

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Acts 15:6-12.

Paul and Barnabas Report to the Church

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Luke 16:10-17.

Ye Cannot Serve God and Mammon

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

John 6:37-40.

The Will of Him That Sent Me

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Mark 13:32-37. Watch and Pray

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 13:23-30. The Closed Door of the Kingdom

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 22:23-33. The God of the Living

12. THE RANKE PERICOPES

Dr. Ernst Konstantin Ranke is remembered for his valuable contributions in the field of hymnology and liturgiology. He began his extended studies on the historic pericopes while pastor of the Evangelical church in Buchau, Germany. In 1850 Dr. Ranke became professor of church history and New Testament exegesis at Marburg and continued in that position until his death in 1888. His pericope selections rank among the best and offer a wide range of texts from the entire Bible. Those given here include a Gospel and an Epistle series supplemented by texts from Acts and Revelation. With the exception of the Thomasius selections, no other pericope system makes use of the Book of Revelation as generously as do the Ranke selections. The one Old Testament series is confined largely to the historic books while the other employs texts from the prophetic and the poetic books of the Old Testament.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Col. 1:16-23.

Christ the Head of the Church

Gospel: Luke 1:1-25.

The Birth of John Promised

O. T. 1: Gen. 1:26-2:3.

Man Created in the Image of God

O. T. 2: Prov. 8:22-31.

The Eternity of Wisdom

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 1:16-25.

The Gospel, the Power of God

Gospel: Luke 1:26-36.

The Birth of Jesus Promised

O. T. 1: Gen. 3:1-15.

The First Sin and the First Promise

O. T. 2: Psalm 8.

God's Great Love to Man

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Peter 1:3-12.	Born anew to a Living Hope
Gospel: Luke 1:37-56.	The Magnificat of Mary
O. T. 1: Deut. 33:1-5.	All His Saints Are in Thy Hand
O. T. 2: Gen. 6:5-8.	Noah Finds Grace in God's Sight

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Rom. 2:1-12.	No Respect of Persons with God
Gospel: Luke 1:57-80.	The Dayspring from on High
O. T. 1: Gen. 9:1-15.	God's Covenant with Noah
O. T. 2: Deut. 32:1-20.	Remember the Days of Old

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: Heb. 1:1-12.	God Hath Spoken unto Us by His Son
Gospel: Luke 2:1-14.	The Savior Is Born
O. T. 1: Isa. 9:2-7.	Unto Us a Child Is Born
O. T. 2: Micah 5:1-3.	The Birth of Christ Foretold

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: Heb. 2:14-18.	Made like His Brethren
Gospel: John 1:1-14.	The Word Was Made Flesh
O. T. 1: Isa. 11:1-5.	The Branch out of the Root of Jesse
O. T. 2: Mal. 2:17-3:6.	Behold, I Will Send My Messenger

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: Heb. 3:1-6.	The Pre-eminence of Christ
Gospel: Luke 2:22-32.	Adoration and Prophecy of Simeon
O. T. 1: Isa. 12:1-6.	God Is My Salvation
O. T. 2: Psalm 2.	The Lord's Anointed King

New Year's Day

Epistle: I Peter 2:1-10.	Ye Are a Chosen Generation
Gospel: Luke 4:16-21.	The Acceptable Year of the Lord
O. T. 1: Nahum 1:2-8.	The Lord Knoweth Them That Trust in Him
O. T. 2: Isa. 40:26-31.	God Giveth Power and Strength

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: Rom. 7:7-25.	Sin Revealed by the Law
Gospel: Matt. 16:1-12.	The Leaven of the Pharisees
O. T. 1: Gen. 11:1-19.	The Confusion of Tongues
O. T. 2: I Sam. 2:1-10.	Hannah's Song of Thanksgiving

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: Rom. 3:23-31.	Justification by Faith
Gospel: Matt. 3:13-17.	This Is My Beloved Son
O. T. 1: Gen. 12:1-4.	God Calls Abram and Blesses Him
O. T. 2: Isa. 2:1-5.	The Kingdom of the Lord Shall Be Established

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 4:16-25.	Abraham's Exemplary Faith
Gospel: John 1:35-42.	Behold the Lamb of God
O. T. 1: Gen. 13:5-11.	Abraham and Lot Part Company
O. T. 2: Deut. 18:15-19.	A Prophet from among Their Brethren

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 5:1-5.	The Blessings of Justification
Gospel: John 1:43-51.	Philip and Nathanael
O. T. 1: Gen. 14:8-20.	Melchizedek Blesses Abram
O. T. 2: Isa. 61:1-6.	The Office of Christ

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 8:1-11.	Free from Condemnation
Gospel: Matt. 4:12-17.	Jesus Preaches Repentance
O. T. 1: Gen. 15:1-7.	God Promises Abram a Son
O. T. 2: Amos 3:1-8.	The Certainty of God's Judgments

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 2:1-10.	The Hidden Wisdom of God
Gospel: John 4:4-24.	The Conversation at Jacob's Well
O. T. 1: Gen. 22:1-19.	Abraham Offers His Son Isaac
O. T. 2: Micah 6:1-8.	What Doth the Lord Require of Thee?

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 6:9-20.	The Sanctity of the Body
Gospel: John 4:25-42.	Christ the Savior of the World
O. T. 1: Gen. 24:34-51.	Abraham's Servant Meets Rebekah
O. T. 2: Micah 7:14-20.	God Retaineth not His Anger forever

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: Rom. 13:1-7.	Duties of Citizenship
Gospel: Matt. 11:25-30.	Come unto Me
O. T. 1: Gen. 28:11-17.	Surely, the Lord Is in This Place
O. T. 2: Isa. 8:20-22.	To the Law and to the Testimony

Septuagesima Sunday

Epistle: II Cor. 8:1-9.
 Gospel: Matt. 16:13-20.
 O. T. 1: Gen. 41:28-43.
 O. T. 2: Mal. 2:4-9.

The Grace of Liberal Giving
 Peter's Confession of Faith
 Joseph Made Ruler over the Land
 The Prophet Reproves a Corrupt Priest-
 hood

Sexagesima Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 14:13-19.
 Gospel: Matt. 17:1-9.
 O. T. 1: Gen. 49:9-12.
 O. T. 2: Amos 8:1-14.

The Kingdom of God Is not Meat and
 Drink
 The Transfiguration of Our Lord
 Jacob Blesses His Son Judah
 A Famine of God's Word

Quinquagesima Sunday

Epistle: Rom. 10:8-18.
 Gospel: John 8:12-16.
 O. T. 1: Gen. 50:15-22.
 O. T. 2: Nahum 2:1-14.

The Universality of the Gospel
 I Am the Light of the World
 Joseph Comforts His Brethren
 Judah and Israel Punished

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Heb. 12:1-3.
 Gospel: John 8:23-28.
 O. T. 1: Exod. 1:3-22.
 O. T. 2: Isa. 50:4-10.

Looking unto Jesus
 When the Son of Man Is Lifted up
 Israel Oppressed in Egypt
 He Is Near That Justifieth Me

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

Epistle: Rom. 8:28-39.
 Gospel: John 9:1-22.
 O. T. 1: Exod. 2:1-10.
 O. T. 2: Psalm 51.

We Are more than Conquerors
 Jesus Heals the Man Born Blind
 The Infant Moses
 God the Savior of the Sinful

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Epistle: II Cor. 4:7-14.
 Gospel: John 10:23-38.
 O. T. 1: Exod. 2:11-15.
 O. T. 2: Psalm 22.

The Life of Jesus Manifested in Our
 Body
 The Gift of Eternal Life
 Moses Flees to Midian
 The Forsaken Sufferer

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: II Cor. 5:14-21.
 Gospel: John 11:1-27.
 O. T. 1: Exod. 3:1-14.
 O. T. 2: Isa. 64:1-12.

Reconciliation through Christ
 I Am the Resurrection and the Life
 Moses and the Burning Bush
 Prayer for the Illustration of God's
 Power

Judica. Passion Sunday

Epistle: I Peter 1:13-21.	Be Ye Holy for I Am Holy
Gospel: John 11:28-53.	Jesus Raises Lazarus to Life
O. T. 1: Exod. 5:1-21.	The Burdens of the Israelites Increased
O. T. 2: Job 33:13-30.	God's Ways and Purposes with Man

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Epistle: I Peter 4:1-6.	Christ Hath Suffered for Us
Gospel: John 12:1-19.	Jesus Enters Jerusalem
O. T. 1: Exod. 5:22-6:9.	God Renews His Covenant
O. T. 2: Zech. 9:8-12.	Behold, Thy King Cometh unto Thee

Thursday in Holy Week

Epistle: I Cor. 11:26-29.	Let a Man Examine Himself
Gospel: Luke 22:8-23.	The Institution of the Holy Communion
O. T. 1: Psalm 23.	The Lord Is My Shepherd
O. T. 2: Psalm 25.	Salvation of God

Good Friday

Epistle: Rev. 5:1-14.	Worthy Is the Lamb That Was Slain
Gospel: Matt. 27:33-54.	Crucifixion and Death of Jesus
O. T. 1: Exod. 12:1-14.	The Passover Instituted
O. T. 2: Isa. 52:13-53:12.	The Stricken Son of God

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: I Cor. 15:20-28.	The Last Enemy Is Death
Gospel: Matt. 28:1-10.	The Women at the Sepulchre
O. T. 1: Job 19:22-27.	I Know that My Redeemer Liveth
O. T. 2: Isa. 25:1-8.	Joy in the Salvation of God

Monday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:34-49.	The Glory of the Resurrection Life
Gospel: John 20:11-18.	Mary and the Risen Lord
O. T. 1: Exod. 15:1-10.	Moses' Song of Triumph
O. T. 2: Ezek. 37:1-14.	I Will Open Your Graves

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I Cor. 15:50-57.	The Victory over Death
Gospel: John 21:1-14.	A Morning Meal with the Risen Christ
O. T. 1: Exod. 15:11-21.	The Lord Hath Triumphed Gloriously
O. T. 2: Isa. 4:2-6.	Blessings of Christ's Kingdom

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 1:1-7.	Our Fellowship with the Father
Gospel: John 21:15-19.	Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter
O. T. 1: Exod. 15:22-26.	The Bitter Waters at Marah
O. T. 2: Ezek. 34:11-16.	A Shepherd in Israel Promised

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 2:12-17.	Love not the World
Gospel: John 17:1-8.	Christ Prays for His Disciples
O. T. 1: Exod. 16:1-15.	Manna in the Wilderness
O. T. 2: Hosea 2:18-23.	I Will Betroth Thee unto Me

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 3:1-8.	Now Are We the Sons of God
Gospel: John 17:9-19.	Christ Prays for the Believers
O. T. 1: Exod. 17:1-7.	Water from the Rock in Horeb
O. T. 2: Isa. 49:8-14.	The Lord Hath Comforted His People

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Epistle: I John 5:12-21.	The True God and Eternal Life
Gospel: John 17:20-26.	Christ Prays for the Unity of the Church
O. T. 1: Exod. 17:8-16.	The Defeat of Amalek
O. T. 2: Isa. 55:1-13.	Call to Faith and Repentance

The Ascension of Our Lord

Epistle: Eph. 4:7-13.	The Diversity of Spiritual Gifts
Gospel: Luke 24:44-53.	The Ascension of Christ
O. T. 1: Gen. 5:21-24.	The Translation of Enoch
O. T. 2: Psalm 110.	Sit Thou at My Right Hand

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Epistle: Eph. 4:14-16.	Christ the Head of the Church
Gospel: John 14:1-14.	Lord, Show Us the Father
O. T. 1: Exod. 19:4-8.	God Speaks from Sinai
O. T. 2: Isa. 32:14-20.	Until the Spirit Be Poured upon Us

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

Epistle: Acts 2:1-21.	The Holy Spirit Fills the Believers
Gospel: John 14:15-20.	The Promised Comforter
O. T. 1: Exod. 19:16-20:20.	The Ten Commandments
O. T. 2: Joel 3:1-5.	The Promise of Restoration

The Monday in Whitsun-Week

Epistle: Acts 2:36-41.	Peter's Preaching Bears Fruit
Gospel: John 15:1-8.	I Am the True Vine
O. T. 1: Jer. 31:31-34.	The New Covenant
O. T. 2: Ezek. 36:25-28.	God's Promise of a New Spirit

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Epistle: Eph. 1:3-14.	Blessed with Spiritual Blessings
Gospel: Matt. 28:18-20.	The Great Commission
O. T. 1: Num. 6:22-27.	The Blessing of Moses
O. T. 2: Isa. 6:1-13.	The Prophet's Vision of the Lord's Glory

The First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 2:42-47.	Life in the Apostolic Church
Gospel: Matt. 5:1-12.	The Beatitudes
O. T. 1: Exod. 34:1-10.	The Tables of the Law Renewed
O. T. 2: Psalm 139.	In Praise of God's Omniscience

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 3:1-9.	The Lame Man Healed
Gospel: Matt. 5:13-16.	The Salt, the Light, the Candle
O. T. 1: Num. 21:4-9.	Moses and the Fiery Serpents
O. T. 2: Job 36:26-37:13.	The Wondrous Works of God

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 3:9-26.	Peter Preaches Repentance
Gospel: Matt. 5:17-19.	The Righteousness Which Availeth
O. T. 1: Num. 23:7-12.	Balaam's Parables
O. T. 2: Ezek. 18:20-24.	The Soul That Sinneth Shall Die

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:1-22.	Peter and John before the Rulers
Gospel: Matt. 5:28-30.	But I Say unto You
O. T. 1: Josh. 24:14-28.	God's Covenant Renewed
O. T. 2: Psalm 103.	Praise God for His Mercy

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:23-31.	Prayer of the Early Church
Gospel: Matt. 5:43-48.	God's Impartial Providence
O. T. 1: Judg. 2:1-12.	The People at Bochim Rebuked
O. T. 2: Lam. 3:22-40.	The Multitude of God's Mercies

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 4:32-5:11.	Ananias and Sapphira
Gospel: Matt. 6:1-6.	Doing of Alms in Secret
O. T. 1: Ruth 1:1-17.	Entreat Me not to Leave Thee
O. T. 2: Psalm 91.	The Lord Is My Refuge

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 5:12-24.	Imprisonment and Deliverance of the Apostles
Gospel: Matt. 6:7-13.	The Lord's Prayer
O. T. 1: I Sam. 3:1-18.	The Lord Appears to Samuel
O. T. 2: Psalm 116.	The Deliverer from Death

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 6:1-7.	The Seven Deacons Chosen
Gospel: Matt. 6:19-23.	Treasures Which Abide
O. T. 1: I Sam. 10:17-27.	Saul Chosen King
O. T. 2: Psalm 119:105-112.	God's Word a Lamp and a Light

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 7:51-59.	Stephen Stoned to Death
Gospel: Matt. 7:24-29.	The Two Foundations
O. T. 1: I Sam. 15:16-23.	The Lord Rejects King Saul
O. T. 2: Psalm 53.	God Disappointed in Man

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 8:1-8.	Everywhere Preaching the Word
Gospel: John 5:19-29.	The Righteous Judge
O. T. 1: I Sam. 24:2-23.	David Spares Saul's Life
O. T. 2: Jer. 8:4-9.	The Impenitence of God's People

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 8:9-25.	Peter and John at Samaria
Gospel: John 5:30-36.	Greater Witness than John
O. T. 1: II Sam. 7:1-16.	God's Covenant with David
O. T. 2: Ezek. 13:9-16.	Lying Prophets Reproved

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 8:26-38.	Philip and the Ethiopian
Gospel: John 5:37-47.	The Scriptures Testify of Christ
O. T. 1: II Sam. 7:17-29.	David's Prayer of Thanksgiving
O. T. 2: Prov. 9:1-18.	True Wisdom

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 9:1-22.	The Conversion of Saul
Gospel: John 6:44-51.	I Am the Bread of Life
O. T. 1: II Sam. 12:1-10.	Nathan's Parable
O. T. 2: Job 38:1-11.	God Challenges Job to Answer

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 11:1-18.	The Church Acknowledges the Call to the Gentiles
Gospel: Mark 4:26-28.	The Growth of the Seed
O. T. 1: II Sam. 23:1-7.	David's Faith in God's Promises
O. T. 2: Prov. 3:1-16.	Honor the Lord with Thy Substance

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 14:1-20.	Paul and Barnabas Accounted Gods
Gospel: Luke 12:32-36.	God's Faithful Providence
O. T. 1: I Ki. 3:5-15.	Solomon Asks for Wisdom
O. T. 2: Deut. 6:4-13.	Love to God Enjoined

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 16:13-40.	Paul and Silas at Philippi
Gospel: Luke 13:6-9.	Parable of the Fig Tree
O. T. 1: II Chron. 7:12-22.	God Appears to Solomon
O. T. 2: Jer. 17:5-10.	The Deceitfulness of Man's Heart

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 17:15-34.	Paul at Athens
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-46.	The Parable of the Treasure and the Pearl
O. T. 1: II Chron. 13:3-18.	Israel's Idolatry and Defeat
O. T. 2: Lev. 19:9-18.	Sundry Laws of Israel

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 20:17-38.	Charge to the Elders at Miletus
Gospel: Matt. 13:44-52.	The Parable of the Pearl and the Drag-net
O. T. 1: I Ki. 18:21-40.	The Prophets of Baal Slain
O. T. 2: Deut. 21:18-21.	Treatment of a Rebellious Son

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Acts 28:16-31.	Paul Preaches at Rome
Gospel: Luke 15:11-24.	The Parable of the Prodigal Son
O. T. 1: I Ki. 19:4-18.	God's Voice Comes to Elijah
O. T. 2: Deut. 24:17-22.	Harvest for the Poor

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 2:1-7.	The Letter to the Church of Ephesus
Gospel: Luke 15:25-32.	The Elder Son's Complaint
O. T. 1: II Ki. 2:1-12.	Elijah and the Chariot of Fire
O. T. 2: Prov. 6:6-11.	Warning against Slothfulness

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 2:8-11.	Be Thou Faithful unto Death
Gospel: Matt. 21:33-44.	Parable of the Vineyard
O. T. 1: Jonah 3:10-4:11.	God Reproves Jonah
O. T. 2: Prov. 23:19-35.	Warning against Drunkenness

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 3:1-6.	The Letter to the Church in Sardis
Gospel: John 15:18-21.	The Hatred of the World
O. T. 1: II Chron. 32:1-21.	The King of Assyria Slain
O. T. 2: Prov. 24:13-22.	The Security of the Just Man

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 3:14-22.	The Letter to the Church of the Laodiceans
Gospel: Mark 12:18-27.	The God of the Living
O. T. 1: II Chron. 34:14-28.	Hilkiah Finds the Book of the Law
O. T. 2: Prov. 11:9-12:14.	The Blessings of the Liberal Soul

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 7:9-17.	The Multitude before the Throne
Gospel: Mark 13:1-13.	Jesus Foretells the End of All Things
O. T. 1: II Chron. 36:11-21.	Final Deportation to Babylon
O. T. 2: Prov. 30:1-14.	Give Me neither Poverty nor Riches

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 19:1-9.	The Marriage Supper of the Lamb
Gospel: Luke 17:26-37.	The Coming of the Son of Man
O. T. 1: Dan. 2:31-48.	Daniel Made Chief
O. T. 2: Mal. 3:13-4:6.	The Jewels of the Lord

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 20:11-15.	The Last Judgment
Gospel: Matt. 25:14-30.	The Parable of the Talents
O. T. 1: Ezra 3:10-13.	Foundations of the Temple Laid
O. T. 2: Deut. 32:21-43.	God's Judgments

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Epistle: Rev. 21:1-4.	A New Heaven and a New Earth
Gospel: Matt. 25:31-46.	The Son of Man on the Throne of His Glory
O. T. 1: Mal. 3:1-5.	The Lord Shall Suddenly Come
O. T. 2: Psalm 92.	It Is a Good Thing to Give Thanks

The Festival of the Reformation — October 31

Epistle: II Cor. 3:12-18.	The Veil of Moses
Gospel: John 2:3-17.	Jesus Cleanses the Temple
O. T. 1: II Chron. 34:29-33.	The Reforms of Josiah
O. T. 2: Psalm 46.	God Is Our Refuge and Strength

The Festival of Harvest

Epistle: I Tim. 6:6-10.	The Gain of Godliness
Gospel: Luke 12:15-21.	The Rich Man's Folly
O. T. 1: Deut. 26:1-11.	The Offering of First Fruits
O. T. 2: Psalm 65.	Thou Crownest the Year with Thy Goodness

A Day of Humiliation and Prayer

Epistle: II Cor. 6:14-18.	The Appeal to Separation
Gospel: Matt. 11:20-24.	Jesus Denounces the Cities
O. T. 1: Dan. 9:4-24.	Daniel's Confession
O. T. 2: Isa. 1:16-18.	Though Your Sins Be as Scarlet

13. THE FENDT-LIEFELD-OWENS SERIES

This series of Gospel selections is the combined work of two members of the faculty of the Theological Seminary of the American Lutheran Church at Capital University, and a professor at Capital University, Columbus, Ohio. Dr. Edward C. Fendt, Dr. Theodore S. Liefeld, and Prof. David Owens all give promise of distinguishing themselves in their respective fields. Although the series will eventually include Epistle and Old Testament selections, the Gospel selections are offered in this volume because they afford a freshness of approach which is distinctive and unique.

The First Sunday in Advent

Luke 4:16-22.

The Acceptable Year of the Lord

The Second Sunday in Advent

Mark 13:24-31.

The Son of Man Will Come again

The Third Sunday in Advent

Mark 1:2-8.

Prepare the Way of the Lord

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

John 1:35-41.

Behold the Lamb of God

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

John 1:14-18.

The Word Was Made Flesh

The Sunday after Christmas

Luke 2:17-20.

The Shepherds' Witness

New Year's Day

Matt. 16:6-12.

The Leaven of the Pharisees

The Sunday after New Year

Luke 4:23-30.

The Rejection in Nazareth

The Epiphany of Our Lord

John 3:13-17.

God so Loved the World

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Matt. 4:13-22.

Jesus Begins His Ministry

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

John 1:43-51.

Philip and Nathanael

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Mark 6:7-13.

The Twelve Sent out

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Luke 9:37-43a.

Jesus Heals an Epileptic Boy

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Luke 9:43b-48.

The Least Is the Greatest

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Luke 9:49-56.

The Son of Man Is Come to Save

Septuagesima Sunday

Luke 17:7-10.

We Are Unprofitable Servants

Sexagesima Sunday

Mark 4:23-29.

The Growth of the Seed

Quinquagesima Sunday

John 12:23-33.

If I Be Lifted up

Ash Wednesday

Matt. 9:9-17.

For Sinners only

Invocavit. The First Sunday in Lent

Mark 10:32-45.

Whosoever Will Be Great

Reminiscere. The Second Sunday in Lent

John 13:34-38.

A New Commandment

Oculi. The Third Sunday in Lent

Luke 11:29-36.

The Sign of Jonas

Laetare. The Fourth Sunday in Lent

John 6:22-29.

The Food Which Endures

Judica. Passion Sunday

John 12:44-50.

The Judgment on Unbelief

Palmarum. The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Mark 11:1-11.

Hail to the King

Thursday in Holy Week

Mark 14:17-26.

The Last Supper

Good Friday

Matt. 27:29-38.

Crowned with Thorns and Crucified

Easter Day. The Resurrection of Our Lord

John 20:1-18.

Mary and the Risen Lord

Quasi Modo Geniti. The First Sunday after Easter

Luke 24:13-35.

Disciples in Emmaus

Misericordias Domini. The Second Sunday after Easter

John 21:15-19.

Jesus Restores the Penitent Peter

Jubilate. The Third Sunday after Easter

John 17:12-18.

Christ Prays for the Believers

Cantate. The Fourth Sunday after Easter

John 17:1-11.

Christ Prays for His Disciples

Rogate. The Fifth Sunday after Easter

John 17:20-26.

Christ Prays for the Unity of the Church

The Ascension of Our Lord

John 16:28-33.

I Go to the Father

Exaudi. The Sunday after the Ascension

Matt. 28:16-20.

The Great Commission

The Festival of Pentecost. Whitsunday

John 16:7-14.

The Spirit of Truth

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

John 14:8-19.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

The First Sunday after Trinity

Luke 12:16-21.

The Rich Man's Folly

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Luke 9:57-62.

Fitness for the Kingdom

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 17:14-21.

The Powerless Disciples

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 23:13-22.

Hypocrisy in the Church

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 14:34-36.

The Sick Made Well

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Mark 11:12-21.

The Barren Fig Tree

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Luke 8:1-3.

The Women Minister to Christ

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 23:23-33.

Judgment on the Pharisees

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Mark 10:1-12. The Sanctity of Marriage

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

John 4:31-38. Fields White unto Harvest

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Luke 13:1-5. Exhortation to Repentance

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 4:38-44. The Great Physician

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 6:31-36. Love Your Enemies

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 8:22-25. Jesus Stills the Winds

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 11:13-15. Beware of Covetousness

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 8:49-56. Raising the Ruler's Daughter

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Mark 2:23-28. The Lord of the Sabbath

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

John 8:46-59. Before Abraham Was, I Am

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Mark 3:28, 29. The Unpardonable Sin

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Mark 9:42. Offending the Little Ones

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Luke 13:11-13. Healing a Crippled Woman

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 13:24-30. The Tares among the Wheat

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Mark 12:13-17. The Things That Are Caesar's

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Luke 14:25-33.

Counting the Cost

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Matt. 7:21-27.

The Two Foundations

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Mark 13:14-23.

Signs of the End

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Mark 13:33-37.

Watch and Pray

14. THE SOLL SELECTIONS

In 1929 the Rev. Frederic H. K. Soll, a pastor of the Wisconsin Synod, published a pamphlet entitled, *Pericopes and Selections*, in which eight pericope series were listed, five from the Old Testament and three from the New. These eight selections offered a wide variety of texts for the Church Year. The four given here, one each from the Gospels and the Epistles and two from the Old Testament, offer texts which, for the most part, are not found in any of the other pericopes or selections listed in this volume.

The First Sunday in Advent

Epistle: Eph. 5:6-14.

Walk as Children of Light

Gospel: Luke 19:29-40.

Blessed Be the King That Cometh

O. T.: Psalm 45:1-7.

Fairer than the Children of Men

Isa. 62:10-12.

Raising aloft the Banner of God

The Second Sunday in Advent

Epistle: II Cor. 10:7-18.

Let Him That Gloriet, Glory in the Lord

Gospel: Mark 13:1-8.

Take Heed lest any Man Deceive You

O. T.: Psalm 117:1, 2.

O Praise the Lord, All Ye Nations

Zeph. 1:7-18.

The Great Day of the Lord Is Near

The Third Sunday in Advent

Epistle: II Tim. 2:3-15.

Show Thyself Approved unto God

Gospel: Luke 7:18-26.

Art Thou He That Should Come?

O. T.: Psalm 22:22-31.

The Kingdom Is the Lord's

Isa. 56:1-7.

An House of Prayer for All People

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Epistle: I Peter 4:3-7.	Be Sober and Watch unto Prayer
Gospel: Luke 1:56-66.	John the Baptist Named
O. T.: Jer. 20:1-13, 18.	Terror and Confusion Foretold
Zech. 6:12-15.	The Branch Shall Build the Temple of the Lord

Christmas Day. The Nativity of Our Lord

Epistle: I Tim. 3:16.	Great Is the Mystery of Godliness
Gospel: Luke 1:26-38.	The Birth of Jesus Promised
O. T.: Psalm 149:1-9.	Let the Saints Be Joyful
Ezek. 17:22-24.	A Tender Branch upon a Mountain

The Second Christmas Day

Epistle: Col. 1:15-17.	The First-born of All Creation
Gospel: John 6:41-46.	He That Is of God Hath Seen the Father
O. T.: Psalm 150:1-6.	Praise God for His Mighty Acts
Isa. 11:1-8.	A Little Child Shall Lead Them

The Sunday after Christmas

Epistle: Acts 18:24-28.	Apollos Instructed
Gospel: John 10:31-42.	The Father Is in Me and I in Him
O. T.: Psalm 71:17-24.	O God! Who Is like unto Thee!
Isa. 43:16-20.	Behold, I Will Do a New Thing

New Year's Day

Epistle: Phil. 4:8-17.	I Can Do All Things through Christ
Gospel: Luke 12:1-3.	Beware of the Leaven of the Pharisees
O. T.: Job 8:8-22.	Our Days upon Earth Are a Shadow
Isa. 60:17-22.	The Lord Shall Be unto Thee an Everlasting Light

The Sunday after New Year

Epistle: Rom. 9:1-8.	Of Whom, concerning the Flesh, Christ Came
Gospel: Luke 5:27-32.	I Came not to Call the Righteous but Sinners
O. T.: Gen. 27:22-46.	Isaac Blesses His Sons
Psalm 124:1-8.	Our Help Is in the Name of the Lord

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Epistle: III John 1-12.	He That Doeth Good Is of God
Gospel: Matt. 13:10-17.	Why Speakest Thou unto Them in Parables?
O. T.: Psalm 97:1-12.	The Lord Shall Be King over All the Earth
Zech. 14:8-11.	Rejoice in the Lord, Ye Righteous

The First Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Rom. 14:13-23.	The Kingdom of God Is not Meat and Drink
Gospel: Luke 12:51-59.	Divisions because of the Gospel
O. T.: Psalm 26:1-12.	I Have Loved the Habitation of Thy House
Mal. 1:6-11.	My Name Shall Be Great

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Titus 2:1-10.	Directions for Doctrine and Life
Gospel: Matt. 8:19-22.	Follow Me!
O. T.: Gen. 46:28-34.	Jacob and Joseph Reunited
Psalm 128:1-6.	Blessed Is the Man That Feareth the Lord

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Peter 3:15-17.	Be Ready to Answer
Gospel: Mark 1:40-45.	Jesus Cleanses the Leper
O. T.: Gen. 32:9-12.	Jacob Prays to Be Delivered from Esau
Job 1:1-22.	The Righteous Job

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: I Cor. 1:10-17.	Is Christ Divided?
Gospel: Mark 6:45-56.	Jesus Walks upon the Sea
O. T.: Gen. 8:1-14.	The Ark Rests on Mount Ararat
Job 2:1-13.	Shall We Receive Good and not Evil?

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Gal. 3:5-14.	Abraham, the Father of the Faithful
Gospel: Mark 6:1-6.	Jesus Rejected at Nazareth
O. T.: Psalm 113:1-9.	The Lord Is High above All Nations
Hag. 1:2-14.	I Will Be Glorified in Mine House

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Epistle: II Cor. 4:1-10.	God Hath Shined in Our Hearts
Gospel: Luke 9:28-36.	The Transfiguration of the Lord
O. T.: Exod. 40:34-38.	The Glory of the Lord Filled the Tabernacle
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John 1:1-14	The Word was made flesh	4; 8; 10
John 1:14-18	Grace and truth by Jesus Christ	5; 13
John 3:16-18	God so loved the world	3; 11 (16-21)
Eph. 1:3-8	Destined to sonship	5
I Tim. 3:14-16	Great is the mystery of godliness	7; 14 (16)
Titus 2:11-14	God gives life to the world	1; 8
Heb. 1:1-3	Christ, the image of God	8
Heb. 1:1-6	God hath spoken to us by His Son	4; 6; 10; 12 (1-12)
I John 1:1-7	Our fellowship with the Father	2
I John 3:1-5	Now are we the sons of God	9
I John 4:1-6	How to try the spirits	7

The Second Christmas Day

II Sam. 7:1-13	God's covenant with David	7
Psalms 150:1-6	Praise God for His mighty acts	14
Prov. 8:22-36	The eternity of wisdom	2
Isa. 9:6, 7	Unto us a child is born	3
Isa. 11:1-5	The branch out of the root of Jesse	12
Isa. 11:1-8	A little child shall lead them	14
Isa. 49:1-13	A light to the Gentiles	7
Micah 5:1-3	The birth of Christ foretold	6
Zech. 2:10-13	Rejoice, O daughter of Zion	10
Mal. 2:17-3:6	Behold, I will send My messenger	12
Matt. 10:32-39	Conditions of discipleship	8
Matt. 23:34-39	Jesus laments over Jerusalem	8
Luke 1:46-55	The Magnificat of Mary	10
Luke 2:15-20	The shepherds go to Bethlehem	1; 3
Luke 12:49-53	Divisions because of the gospel	8
Luke 19:10	To seek and to save	4
John 1:1-18	The Word was made flesh	2; 6, 12 (1-14)
John 1:15-18	Grace and truth by Jesus Christ	10
John 6:32-39	The will of Him that sent Me	7
John 6:41-46	He that is of God hath seen the Father	14
Acts 6:8-15;		
7:54-60	Stephen's defense and death	8
Rom. 8:28-39	We are more than conquerors	7
Col. 1:15-17	The first-born of all creation	14
II Tim. 2:3-9	The soldier of Christ endures hardship	8
Titus 3:4-7	The washing of regeneration	1
Heb. 2:3-18	Made like His brethren	7; 12 (14-18)
Heb. 2:6-15	Jesus crowned with glory and honor	2
I Peter 4:12-19	Partakers of Christ's sufferings	8
I John 1:1-4	Our fellowship with the Father	6
I John 4:9-16	The propitiation of our sins	10; 4 (9-11)
I John 5:1	Whosoever believeth	3

The Sunday After Christmas

Psalms 2	The Lord's anointed King	12
Psalms 62:5-8	God is a refuge for us	8
Psalms 71:17-24	O God! who is like unto Thee!	14
Psalms 90:1-12	Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place	4
Psalms 103:8-18	Praise God for His mercy	3
Isa. 12:1-6	God is my salvation	7; 12
Isa. 28:14-19	Christ, the sure foundation	10

Isa. 40:27-31	God giveth power and strength	3; 8 (26-31)
Isa. 43:16-20	Behold, I will do a new thing	14
Isa. 63:7-16	The lovingkindness of the Lord	1; 9; 2, 6 (7-17)
Matt. 2:13-23	Flight into Egypt	8
Matt. 23:34-39	Jesus laments over Jerusalem	7
Luke 1:46-55	The Magnificat of Mary	5
Luke 2:17-20	The shepherds' witness	13
Luke 2:25-32	Adoration and prophecy of Simeon	2; 9; 6, 10, 12 (22-32)
Luke 2:33-40	The consolation of Israel	1; 8
Luke 9:57-62	Fitness for the kingdom	10
Luke 12:16-21	The rich man's folly	11
Luke 12:32	The little flock	8
John 1:9-14	The Word was made flesh	3
John 8:12-19	I am the light of the world	7
John 10:31-42	The Father is in Me and I in Him	14
Acts 18:24-28	Apollos instructed	14
II Cor. 1:3-20	The promises of God in Christ	7
II Cor. 5:1-9	We walk by faith, not by sight	9
Gal. 4:1-7	Christ makes us children of God	1; 8
I Tim. 3:16	Great is the mystery of godliness	5
II Tim. 4:3-8	A crown of righteousness	6
Heb. 3:1-6	The pre-eminence of Christ	12
I Peter 2:1-10	Ye are a chosen generation	10
II Peter 1:10-15	Abundant salvation	2
Jude 17-21	Keep yourselves in the love of God	4; 7 (17-25)
Jude 24, 25	Unto Him that is able	3

New Year's Day

Josh. 24:14-18	We will serve the Lord	1
Job 8:8-22	Our days upon earth are a shadow	14
Psalms 33:1-22	The Lord the mighty deliverer	7
Psalms 67:1-7	God the governor of nations	7
Psalms 90	Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place	2; 9; 5 (2-6)
Psalms 102:26-29	As a vesture shalt Thou change them	3
Psalms 111	The Lord, the great and gracious	4
Psalms 121:1-8	Divine help and protection	8; 10
Isa. 40:26-31	God giveth power and strength	12
Isa. 60:17-22	The Lord shall be unto you an everlasting light	14
Lam. 3:22-26	The multitude of God's mercies	8; 6 (22-32)

Nahum 1:2-8	The Lord knoweth them that trust in Him	12
Matt. 16:6-12	The leaven of the Pharisees	13
Matt. 16:24-26	If any man will come after Me	3
Luke 2:21	The name of Jesus	1; 8
Luke 4:16-21	The acceptable year of the Lord	2; 7; 9; 12
Luke 12:1-3	Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees	14
Luke 12:4-9	Confessing Christ before men	10
Luke 13:6-9	Parable of the fig tree	6; 8; 11; 10 (1-9)
John 4:34-36	My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me	3
John 14:13	Prayer in the name of Jesus	8
Rom. 8:24-30	God works for good with those who love Him	2; 9 (24-32)
Gal. 3:23-29	All one in Christ Jesus	1
Phil. 4:8-17	I can do all things through Christ	14
Col. 2:6-15	Rooted and built up in Jesus	10
I Tim. 6:13-19	Fight the good fight of faith	7
Titus 3:4-7	The washing of regeneration	8
Heb. 10:35, 36	Ye have need of patience	3
Heb. 13:8, 14; 10:35	The changeless Christ	5; 6 (8)
Heb. 13:14	Here we have no lasting city	4
I Peter 2:1-10	Ye are a chosen generation	12
Rev. 2:1-5	The letter to the church of Ephesus	8

The Sunday After New Year

Gen. 11:1-19	The confusion of tongues	12
Gen. 17:1-4	God renews His covenant with Abraham	3
Gen. 27:22-46	Isaac blesses his sons	14
I Sam. 2:1-10	Hannah's song of thanksgiving	1; 12
Psalms 73:23-28	Whom have I in heaven but Thee?	6; 9
Psalms 124:1-8	Our help is in the name of the Lord	14
Psalms 146	The Lord, our helper, praised	2
Isa. 45:5-7	I am the Lord, and there is none else	3
Lam. 3:22-32	The multitude of God's mercies	10
Matt. 2:13-23	Flight into Egypt	1
Matt. 3:11, 12	John contrasts Jesus' baptizing with his	8
Matt. 3:13-17	This is My beloved Son	2; 8
Matt. 9:9-13	The calling of Matthew	10
Matt. 16:1-4	The signs of the times	4; 9
Matt. 16:1-12	The leaven of the Pharisees	12
Mark 6:20-29	The death of John the Baptist	6

Luke 4:23-30	The rejection in Nazareth	13
Luke 5:27-32	I came not to call the righteous but sinners	14
Luke 12:4-9	Confessing Christ before men	11
Luke 12:16-21	The rich man's folly	3
Luke 13:18-24	The parable of the mustard seed	10
John 1:29-34	This is the Son of God	8
John 12:44-50	The judgment of unbelief	5
Acts 8:26-39	Philip and the Ethiopian	8
Acts 19:1-7	The Ephesians receive the Spirit	6
Rom. 3:21-26	Justified by grace	10
Rom. 6:8-11	Crucified with Christ	8
Rom. 7:7-25	Sin revealed by the law	12
Rom. 9:1-8	Of whom, concerning the flesh, Christ came	14
Rom. 14:7, 8	None of us liveth to himself	3
Col. 2:9-15	Baptism means communion with Christ	8
I Thess. 5:5-10	Children of light and of the day	5
Titus 3:4-7	The washing of regeneration	8
James 4:13-17	What is your life?	4; 9
I Peter 4:12-19	Partakers of Christ's sufferings	1
I John 3:1-8	Now are we the sons of God	2

The Epiphany of Our Lord

Gen. 12:1-4	God calls Abram and blesses him	12
I Ki. 19:1-18	God's voice comes to Elijah	7
Psalms 97:1-12	Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous	14
Isa. 2:2-5	The kingdom of the Lord shall be established	1; 8; 9; 12 (1-5)
Isa. 42:1-8	The office of the Savior	4; 5 (1-8); 7 (1-12)
Isa. 49:1-13	A light to the Gentiles	2; 6 (1-9)
Isa. 55:3-5	A witness to the people	3
Isa. 55:8-11	My word shall not return void	4
Isa. 60:1-6	Arise, shine, for thy light is come	1; 8; 10 (1-11)
Zech. 14:8-11	The Lord shall be king over all the earth	14
Matt. 2:1-12	The wise men worship Christ	1; 5; 8
Matt. 3:13-17	This is My beloved Son	6; 7; 9; 12
Matt. 4:12-17	Jesus preaches repentance	10
Matt. 12:15-21	In His name shall the Gentiles trust	8
Matt. 13:10-17	Why speakest Thou unto them in parables?	14
Mark 1:14-22	Jesus calls His disciples	2
Luke 2:25-32	Adoration and prophecy of Simeon	3
Luke 4:16-21	The acceptable year of the Lord	10

John 1:4, 5	The light shineth	3
John 1:29-34	This is the Son of God	11
John 3:13-17	God so loved the world	13
John 8:12	I am the light of the world	8
Acts 8:26-39	Philip and the Ethiopian	10
Rom. 3:23-31	Justification by faith	12
Rom. 10:14-18	The universality of the gospel	3
II Cor. 4:3-6	God hath shined in our hearts	8; 9
Eph. 2:1-12	The riches of God's grace	7
Col. 1:19-21	Christ the head of the church	7
Col. 1:24-29	Christ, the hope of glory	2
I John 3:1-6	Now are we the sons of God	6
III John 1-12	He that doeth good is of God	14

The First Sunday After Epiphany

Gen. 13:5-11	Abraham and Lot part company	12
Gen. 28:10-17	Surely, the Lord is in this place	3
Deut. 6:1-9	Love to God enjoined	6
Deut. 18:15-19	A prophet from among their brethren	12
Psalms 8	God's great love to man	2
Psalms 26:1-12	I have loved the habitation of Thy house	14
Psalms 78:1-7	Declaring God's law	10
Psalms 84:1-12	A day in Thy courts is better than a thousand	8
Psalms 122	The glory of God's house	7; 9
Psalms 139:7-12	In praise of God's omniscience	3
Eccl. 12:1-7	Remember thy Creator	1
Mal. 1:6-11	My name shall be great	14
Matt. 3:13-17	This is My beloved Son	3; 4
Matt. 4:12-17, 23-25	Jesus preaches repentance	11
Matt. 4:13-22	Jesus begins His ministry	13
Matt. 10:32-39	Conditions of discipleship	10
Matt. 12:46-50	Who are My brethren?	8
Mark 10:13-16	Jesus blesses little children	5
Luke 2:41-52	The child Jesus in the Temple	1:8 (42-52)
Luke 12:51-59	Divisions because of the gospel	14
John 1:35-42	Behold the Lamb of God	2; 9; 12
John 1:36-51	John's disciples follow Jesus	6; 7 (35-51)
John 6:28-40	The will of Him that sent Me	10
John 7:14-18	Jesus teaches in the Temple	8
Rom. 4:16-25	Abraham's exemplary faith	12
Rom. 10:12-21	The universality of the gospel	6; 10 (8-18)

Rom. 12:1-5	The spiritual service of the Christian	1; 8
Rom. 14:13-23	The kingdom of God is not meat and drink	14
I Cor. 1:20-31	We preach Christ crucified	2; 7
II Cor. 6:14-7:1	The appeal to separation	9
Eph. 6:1-4	Domestic duties	5
Col. 2:18	Let no man beguile you	3
Heb. 2:11-16	The brethren of Jesus	8
Heb. 3:1-14	The pre-eminence of Christ	7
I Peter 2:1-4	Desire the sincere milk of the Word	4

The Second Sunday After Epiphany

Gen. 14:8-20	Melchizedek blesses Abram	12
Gen. 46:28-34	Jacob and Joseph reunited	14
Gen. 50:15-21	Joseph comforts his brethren	3
Deut. 18:15-22	A prophet from among their brethren	7
Psalms 53	God disappointed in man	2
Psalms 104:24-35	The providence of the Lord	10
Psalms 128:1-6	Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord	14
Prov. 3:5-7	So shalt thou find favor	3
Isa. 8:20-22	To the law and to the testimony	6
Isa. 61:1-6	The office of Christ	1; 9; 12
Matt. 4:1-12	The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness	3
Matt. 8:19-22	Follow Me!	14
Matt. 12:46-50	Who are My brethren?	10
Mark 6:17-29	The death of John the Baptist	4
Luke 4:14-22	The acceptable year of the Lord	6; 5 (14-24)
Luke 19:1-10	Jesus and Zacchaeus	8
John 1:35-42	Behold the Lamb of God	10
John 1:43-51	Philip and Nathanael	2; 9; 12; 13
John 2:1-11	The wedding in Cana	1; 8
John 3:22-36	John's witness of Christ	7
John 4:5-26	The conversation at Jacob's well	8
John 7:40-53	The people divided because of Christ	11
Rom. 1:16-25	The gospel, the power of God	5
Rom. 5:1-5	The blessings of justification	12
Rom. 10:1-12	Necessity for the gospel	6
Rom. 12:6-16	Faith and love in our social relations	1; 8
I Cor. 2:1-16	The hidden wisdom of God	7; 9 (6-16)
Gal. 1:6-16	The gospel, the revelation of Christ	7
Eph. 4:11-15	The diversity of spiritual gifts	4
Eph. 5:22-33	Christ the head of the church	10
Eph. 6:1-4	Domestic duties	8

II Tim. 1:3-5	The Christian home a blessing to children	8
Titus 2:1-10	Directions for doctrine and life	14
Heb. 3:12-19	Made partakers of Christ	2
James 3:17, 18	Wisdom that is from above	3

The Third Sunday After Epiphany

Gen. 15:1-7	God promises Abram a son	12
Gen. 32:9-12	Jacob prays to be delivered from Esau	14
Exod. 20:1-20	The Ten Commandments	2
Exod. 34:4-10	The tables of the law renewed	3
Num. 24:10-17	A sceptre shall rise out of Israel	6
II Ki. 5:1-19	Naaman the leper	1; 9
Job 1:1-22	The righteous Job	14
Isa. 3:10, 11	It shall be well with the righteous	3
Isa. 61:1-7	Arise, shine, for thy light is come	7
Dan. 6:10-23	Daniel in the lions' den	10
Amos 3:1-8	The certainty of God's judgments	12
Matt. 4:12-17	Jesus preaches repentance	12
Matt. 8:1-13	Jesus praises the centurion's faith	1; 8
Matt. 8:14-17	Jesus heals the sick	8
Matt. 9:35-38	The harvest is plenteous	11
Matt. 11:25-30	Come unto Me	6
Mark 1:14-22	Jesus calls His disciples	4
Mark 1:40-45	Jesus cleanses the leper	14
Mark 6:7-13	The twelve sent out	13
Luke 4:38-44	The Great Physician	10
John 1:35-43	John's disciples follow Jesus	3
John 3:22-30	John's witness of Christ	2
John 4:5-26	The conversation at Jacob's well	7
John 4:5-14	The inward well of living water	5; 9; 10 (1-14)
John 4:27-42	Christ the Savior of the world	8
Rom. 1:14-20	The gospel, the power of God	2; 7 (13-25); 9 (13-20)
Rom. 5:1-5	The blessings of justification	5; 6
Rom. 8:1-11	Free from condemnation	12
Rom. 8:24-30	God works for good with those who love Him	10
Rom. 12:17-21	Evil overcome with good	7; 8
Eph. 2:4-10	The riches of God's grace	4
II Thess. 2:13-17	God comfort your hearts	8
I Tim. 6:1-5	The doctrine which accords with godliness	7
Heb. 3:5, 6	Christ the faithful Son	3
Heb. 11:1-22	The nature and fruits of faith	8
I Peter 3:15-17	Be ready to answer	14

The Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Gen. 8:1-14	The ark rests on Mount Ararat	14
Gen. 22:1-19	Abraham offers his son Isaac	12
Exod. 14:21-31	Passage through the Red Sea	1
Josh. 1:7-9	God's promises to Joshua	3
I Ki. 19:9-18	God's voice comes to Elijah	10
Job 2:1-13	Shall we receive good and not evil?	14
Psalms 12:2-6	The words of the Lord are pure	3
Psalms 32:1-11	The blessedness of the forgiven man	2
Psalms 93	The majesty and power of God	7; 9
Isa. 51:1-12	God will comfort His church	6
Micah 6:1-8	What doth the Lord require of thee?	12
Matt. 8:23-27	Jesus stills the tempest	1; 8
Matt. 14:22-33	Jesus walks upon the sea	8; 10
Mark 6:45-56	Jesus walks upon the sea	14
Luke 9:37-43a	Jesus heals an epileptic boy	13
John 1:47-51	Philip and Nathanael	3; 4 (43-51)
John 4:5-26	The conversation at Jacob's well	2; 12 (4-24)
John 4:15-26	Worship in spirit and in truth	5; 10
John 4:27-42	Fields white unto harvest	7; 9 (31-42)
John 6:16-21	Jesus walks upon the water	11
John 6:66-69	The confession of Peter	8
John 8:12-16	I am the light of the world	6
Rom. 2:1-11	No respect of persons with Christ	2; 5 (4-11)
Rom. 7:6-25	Sin revealed by the law	7; 9 (7-16)
Rom. 13:8-10	Love, the fulfillment of the law	1; 8
I Cor. 1:10-17	Is Christ divided?	14
I Cor. 2:1-10	The hidden wisdom of God	12
I Cor. 3:1-11	Christ the true foundation	10
I Cor. 4:9-20	Fools for Christ's sake	7
I Thess. 5:6-9	God hath appointed us to salvation	3
I Tim. 6:6-11	The gain of godliness	4
II Tim. 1:7-10	Light and immortality brought to light	8
Heb. 11:23-40	Faith creates men of power	8
I John 1:5-10	Cleansed by the blood of Christ	6

The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

Gen. 11:1-9	The confusion of tongues	10
Gen. 24:34-51	Abraham's servant meets Rebekah	12
I Sam. 2:26-30	The failure of the house of Eli	3
Psalms 42	My soul thirsteth for God	2
Psalms 113:1-9	The Lord is high above all nations	14
Jer. 2:19	Backsliding Israel rebuked	3

Jer. 18:1-10	As potter's clay in Thine hands	6
Jer. 24:1-10	The sign of the figs	7
Ezek. 33:10-16	Turn ye from your evil ways	1; 9
Micah 7:14-20	God retaineth not His anger forever	12
Hag. 1:2-14	I will be glorified in Mine house	14
Matt. 7:24-29	The two foundations	9
Matt. 9:35-38	The harvest is plenteous	5
Matt. 10:16-31	The twelve instructed and sent forth	4
Matt. 13:31-35	The parable of the mustard seed	10
Matt. 13:24-30	The tares among the wheat	1; 8
Mark 4:26-29	The growth of the seed	8; 10 (26-32)
Mark 6:1-6	Jesus rejected at Nazareth	14
Mark 9:38-41	Jesus teaches tolerance	8
Luke 4:16-30	The acceptable year of the Lord	3
Luke 9:43b-48	The least is the greatest	13
John 4:25-42	Christ the Savior of the world	12
John 5:1-18	Jesus at the pool of Bethesda	7
John 6:26-35	Labor not for the meat which perisheth	6
John 6:30-35	I am the bread of life	11
John 6:53-64	My words are spirit and life	2
Acts 16:9-15	The Macedonian call	5
Rom. 2:12-16	Judgment by the law	2
Rom. 8:1-11	Free from condemnation	7; 9 (1-9)
Rom. 12:11, 12	Fervent in spirit	3
I Cor. 1:9-18	Unity in the church of Jesus Christ	8
I Cor. 6:9-20	The sanctity of the body	12
II Cor. 6:14-18	The appeal to separation	4
Gal. 3:5-14	Abraham, the father of the faithful	14
Eph. 4:14-16	Christ, the head of the church	8
Col. 2:16-23	A shadow of things to come	10
Col. 3:12-17	Love, the bond of union	1; 8
I John 4:7-17	The propitiation of our sins	6
I John 5:14-21	The true God and eternal life	7

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Gen. 28:10-22	Jacob's vision of the ladder	10
Gen. 28:11-17	Surely, the Lord is in this place	12
Exod. 3:1-6	Moses and the burning bush	1; 6; 7 (1-15) 9
Exod. 40:34-38	The glory of the Lord filled the Tabernacle	14
I Sam. 12:20-25	Serve the Lord with all your heart	3
Psalms 21:2-8	The desire of the king's heart	3
Psalms 50	God's delight in obedience	2

Psalm 139:1-12, 23, 24	In praise of God's omniscience	8
Isa. 8:20-22	To the law and to the testimony	12
Ezek. 12:21-28	The words that I have spoken shall be done	14
Matt. 11:25-30	Come unto Me	12
Matt. 17:1-9	The transfiguration of our Lord	1
Matt. 24:35-44	The unexpected coming of the Son of Man	8
Matt. 25:1-13	The wise and foolish virgins	8
Mark 6:20-29	The death of John the Baptist	3
Mark 9:2-13	The transfiguration of Christ	10
Mark 13:31-37	Watch and pray	8
Luke 6:1-10	The Son of man is Lord of the Sabbath	5
Luke 7:1-10	Jesus heals the centurion's servant	6
Luke 9:28-36	The transfiguration of the Lord	14
Luke 9:49-56	The Son of man is come to save	13
Luke 9:57-62	Fitness for the kingdom	4
John 3:31-36	Whom God hath sent	11
John 4:27-42	Christ, the Savior of the world	10
John 5:31-47	The Scriptures testify of Christ	7; 9 (39-47)
John 7:33-39	Rivers of living water	2
Acts 13:42-52	Behold, we turn to the Gentiles	5
Rom. 3:19-26	Justified by grace	2
Rom. 10:1-17	Necessity for the gospel	7
Rom. 13:1, 2	No power but of God	3
Rom. 13:1-7	Duties of citizenship	12
II Cor. 3:12-18	The veil of Moses	9
II Cor. 4:1-10	God hath shined in our hearts	14
Heb. 4:12-19	Our great high priest	4
Heb. 11:8-35	The heroes of faith	7
I Peter 1:3-21	The cost of our redemption	6
II Peter 1:16-21	The light of the prophetic Word	1
II Peter 3:3-13	The coming of the day of God	8
II Peter 3:14-18	Exhortation to remain steadfast	10
Rev. 22:10-17, 20	Behold, I come quickly	8

Septuagesima Sunday

Gen. 41:28-43	Joseph made ruler over the land	12
Exod. 19:3-8	God's message from Sinai	7
Deut. 34:1-12	Death and burial of Moses	14
I Chron. 17:15-20	David's prayer of thanks	3
Prov. 9:1-12	The just contrasted with the wicked	2
Jer. 9:23, 24	Cause for true glorying	1; 3; 9
Jer. 31:31-34	The new covenant	10

Dan. 4:31-34	Nebuchadnezzar glorifies God	6
Dan. 5:17-30	The handwriting on the wall	6
Mal. 2:4-9	The prophet rebukes a corrupt priesthood	12
Mal. 3:13-18	The jewels of the Lord	14
Matt. 5:1-12	The Beatitudes	11
Matt. 5:17-29	The righteousness which availeth	10
Matt. 11:16-24	Jesus denounces the cities	5
Matt. 16:13-20	Peter's confession of faith	12
Matt. 19:27-30	The rewards of discipleship	8
Matt. 20:1-16	The laborers in the vineyard	1; 8
Luke 6:20-35	Blessings and woes	2; 14
Luke 9:18-26	Conditions of discipleship	7
Luke 10:38-42	Jesus commends Mary	4; 9; 10
Luke 17:7-10	We are unprofitable servants	8; 13
John 2:23-25	Many believed in His name	3
John 7:14-17	Jesus teaches in the Temple	6
Acts 9:36-42	The miracles of Peter	5
Rom. 3:27-31	Justification by faith	2
Rom. 5:1-5	The blessings of justification	4
I Cor. 3:7-23	Other foundation can no man lay	8
I Cor. 9:24-10:5	The incorruptible crown of victory	1; 8 (24-27)
II Cor. 8:1-9	The grace of liberal giving	12
II Cor. 13:5-14	Self-examination enjoined	14
Eph. 1:3-14	Blessed with spiritual blessings	11
Phil. 1:27-2:4	Life worthy of the gospel	7; 9
Phil. 3:7-14	The high calling of God in Christ Jesus	8
I Thess. 1:1-10	The work of faith and labor of love	7
I Peter 5:6, 7	Be sober, be vigilant	3
II Peter 1:3-11	Increment of Christian graces	6

Sexagesima Sunday

Gen. 49:9-12	Jacob blesses his son Judah	12
Exod. 32:15-35	Moses' anger over the golden calf	14
Deut. 11:18-25	The blessing of obedience	14
I Sam. 17:42-51	David and Goliath	10
II Sam. 12:1-7	Nathan's parable	3
Psalms 119:89-105	The foundation of faith	2
Isa. 25:1-9	Joy in the salvation of God	6
Isa. 55:6-11	My word shall not return void	8
Ezek. 18:20	The soul that sinneth shall die	3
Amos 8:11, 12	A famine of God's Word	1; 9; 7 (1-12); 12 (1-14)
Matt. 10:2-16	The twelve instructed and sent forth	8

Matt. 11:16-24	Jesus denounces the cities	11
Matt. 11:25-30	Come unto Me	4
Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23	The sower and the seed	14
Matt. 16:13-20	Peter's confession of Christ	10
Matt. 17:1-9	The transfiguration of our Lord	6; 12
Mark 4:23-29	The growth of the seed	13
Luke 8:4-15	The parable of the sower	1; 8
Luke 9:18-26	Conditions of discipleship	2
John 4:5-15	The inward well of living water	3
John 8:21-29	When the Son of man is lifted up	5
John 8:25-36	The truth shall make you free	10
John 11:20-46	I am the resurrection and the life	7; 9 (20-27)
John 12:35-38	That ye may be the children of light	8
Acts 16:24-35	The conversion of the jailor at Philippi	10
Rom. 5:1-11	While we were yet sinners	2
Rom. 14:13-19	The kingdom of God is not meat and drink	12
I Cor. 6:19, 20	The sanctity of the body	3
II Cor. 1:3-7	Comfort in tribulation	14
II Cor. 1:23-2:17	As men of God we speak in Christ	7
II Cor. 3:12-18	The veil of Moses	6
II Cor. 11:19-12:9	Paul glories in his infirmities	1; 8 (19-31)
Phil. 1:12-26	To me to live is Christ	7; 9 (12-21)
II Tim. 3:10-4:5	The value of the holy Scriptures	8
Heb. 10:19-29	By a new and living way	5
II Peter 1:2-9	Increment of Christian graces	4
II Peter 1:16-21	The light of the prophetic Word	6

Quinquagesima Sunday

Gen. 50:15-22	Joseph comforts his brethren	12
1 Ki. 2:1-4	David charges Solomon	3
Psalms 14:1-7	The fool hath said in his heart there is no God	14
Psalms 40:7-9	Lo, I come	8
Psalms 62:2-8	God the only hope of man	2
Eccles. 7:3-5	Sorrow is better than laughter	3
Jer. 8:4-9	The impenitence of God's people	1; 9; 7 (4-12)
Jer. 8:19-22	Is there no balm in Gilead?	6
Jonah 3:1-9	Repentance of the Ninevites	14
Jonah 3:10-4:11	God reproves Jonah	10
Nahum 2:1-14	Judah and Israel punished	12
Matt. 16:21-27	Jesus foretells His suffering	4; 5 & 10 (21-23)
Matt. 20:17-28	The Son of man is come to minister	10

Matt. 21:33-44	Parable of the vineyard	11
Mark 8:27-38	Jesus foretells His suffering	6
Mark 9:30-32	Jesus foretells His death	14
Mark 10:32-45	Whosoever will be great	6; 8; 9 (35-45)
Luke 10:38-42	Jesus commends Mary	2
Luke 18:31-43	Jesus goes up to Jerusalem	1; 8
John 4:19-30	Worship in spirit and in truth	3
John 8:12-16	I am the light of the world	12
John 11:47-12:8	The prophecy of Caiaphas	7; 9 (47-57)
John 12:20-33	If I be lifted up	8; 13 (23-33)
Rom. 5:1-11	While we were yet sinners	7
Rom. 10:8-18	The universality of the gospel	12
I Cor. 1:18-24	The preaching of the cross	6
I Cor. 1:20-25	We preach Christ crucified	8; 9 (21-31)
I Cor. 13:1-13	The greatest of these is love	1; 8
II Cor. 11:23-30	Paul glories in his infirmities	5
Heb. 2:9-18	Jesus made perfect through suffering	4
Heb. 12:18-29	A kingdom that cannot be shaken	14
Heb. 13:7	The duty to ministers	3
Heb. 13:12-21	The sacrifice of praise to God	10
James 3:13-18	Worldly and heavenly wisdom	2
I John 4:7-15	The propitiation of our sins	7

Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-19	The call to repentance	1
Matt. 6:16-21	Treasures which abide	1
Matt. 9:9-17	For sinners only	13

The First Sunday in Lent

Gen. 3:1-15	The fall of Adam and Eve	10
Gen. 22:1-14	Abraham offers his son Isaac	1; 9
Exod. 1:3-22	Israel oppressed in Egypt	12
Num. 20:1-13	Water out of the rock	14
Deut. 8:1-5	Man doth not live by bread only	14
I Ki. 3:5-15	Solomon asks for wisdom	3
Psalm 85:8-14	The nearness of God's salvation	3
Eccl. 7:3-9	Sorrow is better than laughter	2
Isa. 50:4-10	He is near that justifieth me	12
Jer. 2:17-19	Backsliding Israel rebuked	6
Jer. 3:22, 23	Israel invited to return	6
Jer. 17:5-14	The deceitfulness of man's heart	7
Matt. 4:1-11	The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness	1; 8
Matt. 11:20-24	Jesus denounces the cities	6

Matt. 16:21-23	Jesus foretells His suffering	8; 9 (21-26)
Matt. 26:36-46	Jesus in Gethsemane	14
Mark 2:18-22	Parables of the cloth and the bottles	2
Mark 10:32-45	Whosoever will be great	13
Luke 4:1-15	The temptation of Christ	10
Luke 10:17-20	The return of the seventy	8
Luke 20:9-20	The wicked husbandmen	4
Luke 22:31-44	Jesus prays in Gethsemane	7; 9 (39-46)
John 2:13-22	Jesus cleanses the Temple	5
John 2:18-22	Jesus foretells His resurrection	11
John 5:5-18	Jesus at the pool of Bethesda	3
John 8:23-28	When the Son of man is lifted up	12
John 15:9-17	Continue ye in My love	10
Rom. 3:27-31	Justification by faith	10
Rom. 12:7, 8	The use of varied gifts	3
I Cor. 1:18-25	We preach Christ crucified	4
II Cor. 6:1-10	Receive not the grace of God in vain	1; 8
Gal. 5:13-18	Walk in the Spirit	2
Heb. 1:13-2:10	Jesus made perfect through suffering	14
Heb. 4:14-5:9	Our great high priest	7; 8 & 9 (15, 16)
Heb. 12:1-3	Looking unto Jesus	12
Heb. 12:14-17	Follow peace with all men	6
James 1:12-15	God tempts no man	8
I Peter 1:17-25	The cost of our redemption	5
I John 3:7-12	Love, the test of sonship	7

The Second Sunday in Lent

Gen. 22:1-19	Abraham offers his son Isaac	10
Gen. 32:24-29	Jacob wrestles with the angel	8
Exod. 2:1-10	The infant Moses	12
Exod. 14:13-21	The pursuing Egyptians destroyed	6
Exod. 33:17-25	Moses seeks to see God's glory	1; 9 (17-23)
Lev. 20:6-8	Sanctify yourselves, and be ye holy	14
Psalms 35:19-28	A prayer for help against enemies	14
Psalms 39	My soul thirsteth for God	2
Psalms 51	God, the Savior of the sinful	12
Psalms 130	There is forgiveness with Thee	7
Isa. 52:7-17	Good tidings of salvation	6
Isa. 58:6-9	The fast acceptable to God	3
Ezek. 33:7-9	I have set thee a watchman	3
Matt. 12:38-42	The sign of the prophet Jonah	5; 11
Matt. 15:21-28	The woman of Canaan	1; 8

Mark 7:24-30	Jesus casts out a demon	14
Mark 9:14-32	Jesus heals the demoniac son	8
Luke 7:36-50	The woman who was a sinner	2; 4; 8
Luke 9:51-56	The Son of man is come to save	3
Luke 10:17-20	The return of the seventy	9
Luke 22:45-62	Peter denies his Lord	7; 9 (54-62)
John 8:21-30	When the Son of man is lifted up	6
John 9:1-22	Jesus heals the man born blind	12
John 12:20-26	We would see Jesus	10
John 13:34-38	A new commandment	13
John 15:18-25	The hatred of the world	10
Rom. 3:19-31	Justification by faith	7
Rom. 8:28-39	We are more than conquerors	12
I Cor. 1:18-25	The preaching of the cross	10
II Cor. 7:1-12	Repentance unto salvation	7
Col. 2:1-5	In Christ are hid all the treasures of wisdom	14
I Thess. 4:1-7	God's call to holiness	1; 8
Heb. 2:10-15	Jesus made perfect through suffering	6
Heb. 5:5, 7-9	The author of eternal salvation	8
James 1:2-12	The worth and work of trials	5
I Peter 4:1-5	Christ hath suffered for us	4
II Peter 1:19-21	The light of the prophetic Word	3
I John 2:12-17	Love not the world	2; 9

The Third Sunday in Lent

Gen. 22	Abraham offers his son Isaac	6
Exod. 2:11-15	Moses flees to Midian	12
Neh. 9:30-34	The Levites confess their wickedness	3
Psalm 22	The forsaken Sufferer	12
Psalm 25	Salvation of God	10
Psalm 40:10-17	Evils have compassed me about	14
Psalm 77:7-14	Will the Lord cast off forever?	3
Psalm 116:1-9	The deliverer from death	8
Isa. 42:1-8	The office of the Savior	2
Isa. 49:22-26	They shall not be ashamed that wait for Me	14
Jer. 26:1-15	The message in the Temple court	1; 7; 9
Matt. 12:22-29	Jesus' dominion over Satan	14
Matt. 26:36-46	Jesus in Gethsemane	8
Mark 10:35-45	The Son of man came to serve	10
Luke 4:31-37	The power and authority of Jesus	8
Luke 9:51-56	The Son of man is come to save	9
Luke 10:17-22	The return of the seventy	2
Luke 11:14-28	Jesus reveals the power of evil	1; 8

Luke 11:29-36	The sign of Jonas	13
Luke 13:1-9	Parable of the fig tree	4
Luke 19:1-10	Jesus and Zacchaeus	11
Luke 22:31-38	Warning and instruction	8
Luke 22:63-71	Christ before the council	7; 9
John 2:13-25	Jesus cleanses the Temple	10
John 6:47-56	I am the bread of life	5
John 7:19-31	Christ's divinity challenged	8
John 10:24-33	The gift of eternal light	6; 12 (23-38)
John 11:1-16	Jesus and His friends in Bethany	3
John 13:31-38	A new commandment	8
Rom. 5:17-6:2	Riches of grace	14
II Cor. 1:3-7	Comfort in tribulation	5
II Cor. 4:7-14	The life of Jesus manifested in our body	12
II Cor. 6:11-18	The appeal to separation	7
Gal. 2:17-21	Justification by faith	10
Eph. 5:1-9	Walk as children of light	1; 8
Col. 1:24-29	Christ, the hope of glory	8
Heb. 5:7-10	The author of eternal salvation	6
Heb. 12:1-13	Looking unto Jesus	7
James 1:2-8	The worth and work of trials	2
I Peter 1:13-16	Be ye holy, for I am holy	3; 9
I Peter 1:13-25	The cost of our redemption	4

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Gen. 41:25-45	Joseph interprets Pharaoh's dreams	14
Exod. 3:1-14	Moses and the burning bush	12
Deut. 7:6-11	God's love of His people	10
Job 22:21-30	He shall save the humble	3
Psalms 23	The Lord is my shepherd	3
Psalms 31:1-14	Into Thy hand I commit My spirit	14
Psalms 42:1-11	My soul thirsteth for God	8
Isa. 42:1-8	The office of the Savior	6
Isa. 52:7-10	Good tidings of salvation	1; 9
Isa. 64:1-12	Prayer for the illustration of God's power	12
Jer. 20:7-11	Steadfastness in trials	8
Lam. 3:18-39	The multitude of God's mercies	2
Mal. 2:1-10	The prophet reproves a corrupt priesthood	7
Matt. 26:59-66	Jesus on trial before the council	8
Matt. 27:1-10	Jesus delivered to Pontius Pilate	7
Matt. 27:15-31	Jesus delivered to be crucified	9
Mark 14:43-50	Jesus meets the traitor	8

Luke 9:10-17	The five thousand fed	14
John 6:1-15	Jesus feeds the five thousand	1; 8
John 6:24-36	The food which endures	8; 13 (22-29)
John 6:47-57	I am the bread of life	9
John 6:52-66	My words are spirit and life	8
John 6:57-69	The confession of Peter	5
John 8:12-20	I am the light of the world	2
John 11:1-27	I am the resurrection and the life	12
John 11:32-46	Jesus raises Lazarus to life	3
John 11:47-57	The prophecy of Caiaphas	6; 10 (46-57)
John 12:27-33	Jesus predicts His suffering	11
John 12:42-50	I came not to judge but to save the world	4
John 17:1-16	Christ prays for His disciples	10
John 18:15-27	Peter's denial	8
Rom. 6:19-23	Free from sin and servants to God	8
II Cor. 5:19-21	Reconciliation through Christ	3; 12 (14-21)
II Cor. 7:6-13	Repentance unto salvation	2; 9 (4-10)
Gal. 4:21-31	The two covenants	1; 8 (22-31)
I Tim. 6:12-16	Fight the good fight of faith	4
Heb. 7:11-28	The unchangeable priesthood of Christ	7
Heb. 10:5-18	One sacrifice for sins forever	5; 6 (1-14)
I Peter 1:10-16	Be ye holy, for I am holy	14
I Peter 1:17-25	The cost of our redemption	7
Rev. 5:8-14	Worthy is the Lamb that was slain	10

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Gen. 14:8-20	Abram and Melchizedek	10
Exod. 5:1-21	The burdens of the Israelites increased	12
Lev. 16:29-34	The annual atonement	14
Num. 21:4-9	Moses and the fiery serpents	1; 6; 9
Job 33:13-30	God's ways and purposes with man	12
Psalm 2	The Lord's anointed king	7
Psalm 69:6-16	God will save Zion	8
Psalm 73:23-26	Whom have I in heaven but Thee?	3
Isa. 1:10-18	Though your sins be as scarlet	14
Isa. 53:4, 5	Stricken, smitten, and afflicted	3
Matt. 23:34-39	Jesus laments over Jerusalem	10
Matt. 27:11-31	Jesus delivered to be crucified	7; 8 (15-26)
Luke 13:31-35	Jesus laments over Jerusalem	14
Luke 23:1-12	Christ before Pilate and Herod	8
Luke 23:27-34	Jesus is crucified	9
John 8:5-36	The truth shall make you free	4

John 8:31-45	Christ's divine sonship challenged	8
John 8:46-50	Why do ye not believe in Me?	8
John 8:46-59	Before Abram was, I am	1; 2
John 11:28-53	Jesus raises Lazarus to life	12
John 11:41-53	The prophecy of Caiaphas	2; 3 & 8 (47-57); 11 (47-53)
John 12:20-32	If I be lifted up	5; 6 (23-33); 10; (27-36)
John 12:44-50	The judgment on unbelief	13
John 13:31-35	The new commandment	9
John 19:1-11	Jesus crowned with thorns	8
Rom. 5:12-21	The reign of sin and death	7
Rom. 8:31-39	We are more than conquerors	4
II Cor. 1:3-7	Comfort in tribulation	8
II Cor. 5:14-21	Reconciliation through Christ	5
Eph. 2:1-10	The riches of God's grace	10
Col. 2:6-15	Rooted and built up in Jesus	7
Heb. 3:1-6	The pre-eminence of Christ	14
Heb. 4:14-16	Our great high priest	6
Heb. 7:24-27	The unchangeable priesthood of Christ	6
Heb. 9:11-15	Christ, the Mediator of a new covenant	1; 8
I Peter 1:13-21	Be ye holy, for I am holy	12
I Peter 1:17-25	The cost of our redemption	2; 9
I John 3:5, 6	In Him is no sin	3

The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Exod. 5:22-6:9	God renews His covenant	12
Psalms 8	God's great love to man	10
Psalms 118:16-22	He hath not given me over unto death	3
Psalms 145:1-12	The Lord is gracious and full of compassion	14
Isa. 45:22-25	Unto the Lord every knee shall bow	14
Isa. 53:11, 12	Christ's soul poured out unto death	3
Jer. 18:1-14	As potter's clay in Mine hand	7
Zech. 9:8-12	Behold, thy King cometh unto thee	1; 2; 6; 9; 12
Matt. 21:1-9	Christ's entry into Jerusalem	1
Mark 11:1-10	Hail to the King!	14; 13 (1-11)
Luke 22:14-22	The institution of the Holy Communion	8
Luke 23:26-38	Jesus is crucified	7
John 3:22-36	John's witness of Christ	10
John 6:32-35	The will of Him that sent Me	8
John 12:1-13	Mary anoints the feet of Jesus	3; 9 (1-8); 10 (1-11)

John 12:1-19	Jesus enters Jerusalem	2; 6; 12; 8 (1-16); 10 & 11 (12-19)
John 12:23-33	If I be lifted up	4
	The Passion of our Lord	5
I Cor. 11:23-29	Let a man examine himself	8
II Cor. 4:11-18	Things unseen are eternal	14
Gal. 2:16-21	Justification by faith	7
Phil. 2:5-11	The mind of Christ	1; 8
Phil. 2:12-18	The sons of God as lights in the world	10
I Tim. 1:12-17	Christ came to save sinners	7
Heb. 5:7-9	The author of eternal salvation	3
Heb. 8:8-12	The promise of a new covenant	8
Heb. 12:1-6	Looking unto Jesus	2; 4; 6; 9
I Peter 4:1-6	Christ hath suffered for us	12

Thursday in Holy Week

Exod. 12:1-14	The Passover instituted	1; 6; 10
Exod. 12:21-28, 43-51	What mean ye by this service?	14
Lev. 16:15-22	The scapegoat	14
Psalms 23	The Lord is my Shepherd	12
Psalms 25	Salvation of God	12
Psalms 111	The Lord, the great and gracious	9
Matt. 26:26-28	The institution of the Holy Communion	3; 10 (17-30)
Mark 14:17-26	The Last Supper	3; 11; 13
Luke 22:14-22	The institution of the Holy Communion	4; 6 (14-23); 9 (14-20); 10 (7-20); 12 (8-23)
John 6:47-58	I am the bread of life	7
John 13:1-15	Jesus washes the disciples' feet	1; 2; 3 & 6 (1-17)
John 13:16-20	The servant is not greater than his Lord	14
	The Passion of our Lord	5
I Cor. 10:16, 17	The cup of blessing	3; 6; 9; 4 (16-22); 7 & 10 (14- 21)
I Cor. 11:23-32	Let a man examine himself	1; 6 (28-32); 12 (26-29)
Rev. 19:6-10	The marriage supper of the Lamb	14

Good Friday

Exod. 12:1-14	The Passover instituted	12
Psalm 22	The forsaken sufferer	7; 9 (1-11)
Isa. 52:13-53:12	The stricken Son of God	1; 8; 12
Isa. 53:1-7	Christ's suffering foretold	1; 2; 6; 10 (53)
Micah 6:1-8	What doth the Lord require of thee?	7
Zech. 12:8-10	As one mourneth for his only son	14
Zech. 13:6-9	What are these wounds in thy hands?	14
Matt. 27:29-38	Crowned with thorns and crucified	13
Matt. 27:29-56	Crucifixion and death of Jesus	6; 12 (33-54)
Mark 15:27-37	The death of Jesus	3
Luke 23:26-38	Jesus is crucified	14
Luke 23:32-43	Christ on the cross	8
Luke 23:44-49	Jesus dies on the cross	2; 7 (39-49); 9 (39-46); 10 (39-53)
John 18:1-19:42	Death and burial of Jesus	1
John 19:17-30	The crucifixion and death of Christ	10
John 19:28-37	The death of Jesus	11
John 19:30	It is finished	3
I Cor. 1:30	The Passion of our Lord	5
II Cor. 5:12-21	Whom God made our redemption	3
	Reconciliation through Christ	2; 6, 7, 9 & 10 (14-21)
II Cor. 5:14, 15	Christ died for all	3
Phil. 2:5-11	The mind of Christ	8
Heb. 10:19-23	By a new and living way	6
I John 2:1-6	Love perfected in obedience	7
Rev. 5:1-14	Worthy is the Lamb that was slain	12
Rev. 12:7-12	Michael and his angels triumph	14

Easter Day, The Resurrection of Our Lord

Job 19:22-27	I know that my Redeemer liveth	6; 12; 10 (23-27)
Psalm 118:14-29	He hath not given me over unto death	7; 9 (14-24)
Isa. 25:1-8	Joy in the salvation of God	1; 12
Isa. 53:8-12	Christ's soul poured out unto death	2; 6
Ezek. 37:9-14	I will open your graves	7
Hosea 13:9-14	I will redeem them from death	14
Jonah 2:1-10	Jonah's prayer and deliverance	14
Matt. 28:1-10	The women at the sepulchre	3; 4; 5; 9; 10; 12; 6 & 8 (1-8)

Mark 16:1-8	The resurrection of our Lord	1; 8
Luke 24:1-9	The resurrection of the Lord	3; 10 & 11 (1-12)
John 11:25, 26	I am the resurrection and the life	3
John 20:1-10	The empty sepulchre	2; 7; 14
John 20:11-18	Mary and the risen Lord	5; 8 (10-18); 13 (1-18)
Acts 2:29-32	God has raised Jesus to be the Christ	14
Acts 13:26-39	Paul preaches the risen Christ	10
I Cor. 5:6-8	The old and new leaven	1; 8 (7, 8)
I Cor. 15:12-20	In Christ shall all be made alive	2; 9; 8 (12- 21); 7 (12- 28)
I Cor. 15:20-28	The last enemy is death	12
I Cor. 15:51-58	The victory over death	5; 8 (53-58)
Eph. 1:15-23	The church, the body of Christ	8
II Tim. 1:9, 10	Life and immortality brought to light	3
I Peter 1:3-9	Born anew to a living hope	4; 6
Rev. 5:1-14	Worthy is the Lamb that was slain	7

Monday after Easter

Exod. 15:1-10	Moses' song of triumph	12
Psalm 16:1-11	My flesh also shall rest in hope	7; 9 (8-11)
Psalm 89:1-8	Who is a strong Lord like unto Thee?	14
Psalm 118:14-29	He hath not given me over unto death	2; 6 (24-29)
Isa. 25:1-8	Joy in the salvation of God	7
Isa. 26:13-20	The earth shall cast out the dead	6
Isa. 45:5-8	I am the Lord, and there is none else	14
Ezek. 37:1-14	I will open your graves	12
Matt. 28:9-15	The guard at the tomb	8
Matt. 28:11-15	The witness of the Roman guard	14
Luke 24:13-35	The disciples in Emmaus	1; 8
Luke 24:36-40	The risen Christ appears to the eleven	3; 10 (36-49)
John 6:57, 58	He that eateth Me shall live by Me	3
John 20:1-10	The empty sepulchre	8
John 20:11-18	Mary and the risen Lord	2; 3; 4; 6; 7; 9; 10; 12
Acts 10:34-41	The risen Christ preached to the Gentiles	1; 8 (34-43)
Acts 13:26-41	Paul preaches the risen Christ	7
I Cor. 6:14	God will also raise us	3
I Cor. 15:12-22	In Christ shall all be made alive	4; 6
I Cor. 15:20-28	The last enemy is death	14
I Cor. 15:35-49	The glory of the resurrection life	2; 12 (34-49)

I Cor. 15:35-58	The victory over death	7; 9 (54-58); 10 (50-58)
II Cor. 5:14-21	Reconciliation through Christ	8
I Peter 1:18-23	The cost of our redemption	8

The First Sunday after Easter

Gen. 32:22-31	Jacob wrestles with the angel	1; 6; 9
Exod. 15:11-21	The Lord hath triumphed gloriously	12
Josh. 3:9-17	Passage through the Jordan	14
II Sam. 12:1-10	Nathan's parable	10
Isa. 4:2-6	Blessings of Christ's kingdom	12
Isa. 33:13-24	The people shall be forgiven their iniquity	14
Isa. 52:1-10	Good tidings of salvation	7
Ezek. 37:9-14	I will open your graves	2
Matt. 12:38-42	The sign of the prophet Jonah	10
Luke 11:29-36	The sign of Jonas	14
Luke 24:13-35	The disciples in Emmaus	13
Luke 24:36-47	The risen Christ appears to the eleven	5; 11
John 6:65-71	The confession of Peter	6
John 11:25-27	I am the resurrection and the life	4
John 14:1-6	The way, the truth, the life	3
John 20:19-23	Authority to forgive and retain sins	3
John 20:19-31	Jesus and Thomas	1; 8
John 21:1-19	A morning meal with the risen Christ	7; 8; 10; 12 (1-14)
John 21:15-19	Jesus restores the penitent Peter	2; 9; 6 (15- 24); 8 (15- 23)
Acts 3:12-20	Peter preaches repentance	8
Acts 13:32-41	Paul preaches the risen Christ	8
Rom. 1:4	Sonship and resurrection	3
I Cor. 15:54-58	The victory over death	2; 4 (50-58); 12 (50-57)
II Cor. 2:5-11	Forgive and comfort!	14
II Cor. 5:1-10	We walk by faith, not by sight	7
Eph. 2:11-18	Christ Jesus our peace	10
Col. 3:1-4	Seek those things which are above	3
II Tim. 2:1-13	The Word of God is not bound	5
I Peter 1:3-16	Born anew to a living hope	7; 9 (3-9)
I Peter 1:22-25	Born again of incorruptible seed	6
I John 4:1-6	How to try the spirits	6
I John 5:4-12	Faith overcometh the world	1; 8 (4-10)

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Exod. 15:22-26	The bitter waters at Marah	12
Psalms 23	The Lord is my shepherd	8; 9; 10
Prov. 22:17-19	Apply thine heart unto knowledge	3
Isa. 40:6-11	He shall feed His flock like a shepherd	14
Isa. 54:7-14	God's kindness shall not depart	2
Ezek. 34:11-16	A shepherd in Israel promised	1; 6; 7; 12
Ezek. 34:23-31	The covenant of peace	6
Micah 7:14-20	God retaineth not His anger forever	14
Matt. 9:36-38	As sheep having no shepherd	8
Matt. 16:15-20	Peter's confession of faith	11
Matt. 18:1-7	Except ye become as little children	3
Matt. 18:10-14	The lost sheep	3
Luke 24:36-47	The risen Christ appears to the eleven	4
John 10:1-10	True shepherd and true sheep	8
John 10:11-16	I am the good shepherd	1; 8; 10 (1-11)
John 10:17-21	Christ lays down His life	10
John 10:22-30	The gift of eternal life	5
John 12:37-45	Believers but not confessors	14
John 14:1-6	The way, the truth, the life	9
John 14:1-14	Lord, show us the Father	7
John 15:9-16	Continue ye in My love	2
John 21:1-14	A morning meal with the risen Christ	6
John 21:15-19	Jesus restores the penitent Peter	12; 13
Rom. 4:23-5:11	The blessings of justification	14
Rom. 10:9-17	Necessity for the gospel	4
Rom. 14:6-13	None of us liveth to himself	7
Eph. 2:4-10	The riches of God's grace	9
Eph. 6:1-4	Domestic duties	3
Heb. 4:1-13	A rest to the people of God	10
Heb. 13:20, 21	The great shepherd of the sheep	8
I Peter 2:21-25	In the footsteps of Christ	1; 8
I Peter 4:12-19	Partakers of Christ's sufferings	7
I John 1:1-7	Our fellowship with the Father	12
I John 4:1-8	How to try the spirits	2
Rev. 2:1-5	The letter to the church of Ephesus	6
Rev. 7:13-17	The multitude before the throne	5

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Exod. 16:1-15	Manna in the wilderness	12
II Ki. 20:1-11	Set thine house in order	14
Psalms 23	The Lord is my shepherd	7

Psaln 100	Make a joyful noise unto the Lord	10
Isa. 25:1-9	Joy in the salvation of God	14
Isa. 40:26-31	God giveth power and strength	1; 9; 2 (25-31)
Isa. 61:10, 11	The robe of righteousness	6
Hosea 2:18-23	I will betroth thee unto Me	12
Matt. 9:14-17	Parables of the new cloth and new bottles	14
Matt. 10:16-20	The twelve instructed and sent forth	5
Mark 2:18-22	Parables of the cloth and the bottles	10
Mark 8:34-38	What shall it profit a man?	11
John 10:1-11	I am the good shepherd	6
John 11:1-16	Jesus and His friends in Bethany	10
John 12:20-26	We would see Jesus	7; 9
John 12:24-26	He that loveth his life shall lose it	3
John 14:1-12	Lord, show us the Father	8
John 15:17-27	The hatred of the world	2
John 16:16-23	Passing sorrow and abiding joy	1; 8
John 17:1-8	Christ prays for His disciples	8; 12
John 17:12-18	Christ prays for the believers	13
John 21:1-14	A morning meal with the risen Christ	4
John 21:20-22	The risen Christ speaks concerning John	3
Acts 4:8-20	Boldness of Peter and John	5
I Cor. 15:19	If in this life only we have hope	3
II Cor. 4:7-11	The life of Jesus manifested in our body	3; 4 (6-11)
II Cor. 4:16-18	Tribulations lead to glory	8
Phil. 3:13-16	The high calling of God in Christ Jesus	14
II Tim. 1:3-14	Life and immortality brought to light	7
I Peter 1:3-8	Born anew to a living hope	8
I Peter 2:11-20	Christians are strangers and pilgrims	1; 8
I John 2:3-11	Love perfected in obedience	10
I John 2:12-17	Love not the world	12
I John 3:1-6	Now are we the sons of God	7
I John 4:9-16	The propitiation of our sins	2; 9 (9-14)
Rev. 3:1-6	The letter to the church in Sardis	6

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Exod. 17:1-7	Water from the rock in Horeb	12
Judg. 7:15-22	The sword of the Lord and Gideon	14
Psaln 40:2-12	Lo, I come	2
Psaln 98	God hath done marvellous things	9
Isa. 5:1-7	The vineyard of the Lord	6
Isa. 42:10-16	Sing unto the Lord a new song	14
Isa. 49:1-15	The Lord hath comforted His people	1; 12 (8-14)
Isa. 57:11-21	Promises to the penitent	7

Jer. 15:15-21	God's promise to save	10
Matt. 10:24-33	Comfort in persecution	5
Matt. 28:18-20	The great commission	3
John 5:19-29	The righteous judge	10
John 5:28, 29	The resurrection foretold	3
John 6:60-70	The confession of Peter	7; 9 (60-69)
John 11:17-27	I am the resurrection and the life	10
John 15:1-11	I am the true vine	6
John 15:10-17	Continue ye in My love	8
John 16:5-15	The spirit of truth	1; 8
John 17:1-10	Christ prays for His disciples	2; 13 (1-11)
John 17:9-17	Christ prays for the believers	8; 12 (9-19)
John 17:17-24	Christ prays for His disciples	11
John 21:15-19	Jesus restores the penitent Peter	4
John 21:20-25	The risen Christ speaks concerning John	14
I Cor. 14:20-26	In malice children, in understanding men	14
I Cor. 15:40-44	The glory of the resurrection life	3
Eph. 2:19-22	Fellow citizens with the saints	10
Phil. 2:1-4	Love and humility enjoined	2
I Thess. 2:9-13	Paul's glory and joy	5
II Tim. 2:8-13	The Word of God is not bound	7; 9
II Tim. 2:14-23	Rightly dividing the Word of truth	7
Heb. 13:12-16	To do good and to communicate	8
James 1:16-21	Every good and perfect gift is from above	1; 8 (17-21)
I John 2:14-17	Love not the world	4
I John 3:1-8	Now are we the sons of God	12
I John 3:18-24	Assurance of salvation	8
Rev. 3:7-11	The letter to the church in Philadelphia	6
Rev. 21:4	A new heaven and a new earth	3

The Fifth Sunday after Easter

Gen. 18:16-33	Abraham pleads for Sodom	10
Exod. 17:8-16	The defeat of Amalek	12
Num. 6:22-27	The Old Testament benediction	8
I Ki. 3:5-15	Solomon asks for wisdom	14
Psalms 102:11-28	As a vesture shalt Thou change them	7
Psalms 116	The deliverer from death	2
Isa. 54:7-13	God's kindness shall not depart	6
Isa. 55:1-13	Call to faith and repentance	12
Isa. 55:6-11	My Word shall not return void	1; 9
Jer. 5:24	The Lord giveth rain in His season	3
Hosea 14:5-9	The ways of the Lord are right	14
Matt. 6:9-13	The Lord's Prayer	11

Matt. 7:7-11	Ask, and it shall be given you	3; 14 (7-12)
Luke 11:1-4	Christ teaches how to pray	3
Luke 11:1-13	Encouragement to prayer	2; 8; 5 (9-13); 9 (5-13)
Luke 18:1-8	The importunate widow	10
John 11:28-45	Jesus raises Lazarus to life	10
John 14:13-21	The promised Comforter	6
John 16:23-30	Prayer in the name of Jesus	1; 8 (23-33)
John 17:1-11	Christ prays for His disciples	7
John 17:18-23	Christ prays for the unity of the church	8; 12 & 13 (20-26)
John 21:20-25	The risen Christ speaks concerning John	4
I Thess. 5:14-25	The blameless Christian life	7
I Tim. 2:1-6	One Mediator between God and men	2; 7; 9
I Tim. 6:11-16	Fight the good fight of faith	5
Heb. 7:23-27	The unchangeable priesthood of Christ	8
James 1:2-12	The worth and work of trials	4
James 1:22-27	Hearers and doers of the Word	1; 8
James 5:7, 8	Patient waiting for the Lord	3
I John 3:19-24	Assurance of salvation	10
I John 5:11-15	He that hath the Son hath life	14
I John 5:12-21	The true God and eternal life	12
Rev. 3:14-22	The letter to the church of the Laodiceans	6

The Ascension of Our Lord

Gen. 5:21-24	The translation of Enoch	1; 12
Gen. 14:14-20	Melchizedek blesses Abram	7
Psalms 47	God is gone up with a shout	10
Psalms 68:15-20	Thou hast ascended on high	14
Psalms 110	Sit Thou at My right hand	2; 6; 7; 9; 12; 8 (1-3)
Isa. 57:15-21	Promises to the penitent	14
Matt. 16:24-28	Conditions of discipleship	14
Mark 16:14-20	The commission and ascension of Christ	1; 8
Luke 24:50-53	The ascension of Christ	3; 4; 5; 8; (49-53); 12 (44-53)
John 16:28-33	I go to the Father	13
John 17:11-13	Christ prays for His disciples	3
John 17:11-26	Christ prays for the believers	2; 9; 7 (12-26); 10 (17-26)
John 17:24-26	Christ prays that His own may be with Him	8
Acts 1:1-11	The ascension of our Lord	1; 8; 11 (6-11)

Rom. 8:34-39	We are more than conquerors	8
Eph. 1:20-23	The church, the body of Christ	3; 6 (15-23)
Eph. 4:7-16	The diversity of spiritual gifts	10; 12 (7-13)
Col. 3:1-4	Seek those things which are above	2; 4; 9
Heb. 4:14-16	Our great high priest	5
Heb. 6:17-20	Jesus a high priest forever	3
Heb. 9:24-10:14	Seated on the right hand of God	7
I Peter 3:15-22	Christ on the right hand of God	7
Rev. 19:11-16	King of kings and Lord of lords	14

Sunday after Ascension

Gen. 45:1-15	Joseph reveals himself to his brothers	14
Exod. 19:4-8	God speaks from Sinai	12
Psalms 19:1-14	The heavens declare the glory of God	14
Psalms 42	My soul thirsteth for God	7; 9
Psalms 122	The glory of God's house	2
Isa. 32:14-20	Until the Spirit be poured upon us	1; 12
Isa. 55	Call to faith and repentance	10
Isa. 64:1, 2	Prayer for the illustration of God's power	6
Matt. 10:24-31	Comfort in persecution	8
Matt. 10:19-22	The twelve instructed and sent forth	11
Matt. 28:16-20	The great commission	13
Mark 4:26-32	The growth of the seed	18
Luke 9:51-56	The Son of man is come to save	14
Luke 11:5-13	Encouragement to prayer	10
John 7:28-30	Christ's divinity challenged	7
John 7:33-39	Rivers of living water	5; 9
John 8:12-20	I am the light of the world	10
John 14:1-12	The way, the truth, the life	6
John 14:1-14	Lord, show us the Father	12
John 14:12-17	The promised Comforter	3
John 15:18-25	The hatred of the world	8
John 15:26-16:4	The promise of the Comforter	1; 8
Acts 1:15-26	Matthias appointed an apostle	2; 3
Acts 13:1-12	Paul and Barnabas ordained missionaries	14
Rom. 8:26-28	God works for good with those who love Him	8
II Cor. 5:1-10	We walk by faith, not by sight	10
Eph. 1:15-23	The church, the body of Christ	9
Eph. 4:14-16	Christ, the head of the church	12
Col. 3:1-10	Seek those things which are above	5; 8; 7 (1-11)
II Tim. 2:8-13	The Word of God is not bound	2
Heb. 8:1, 2	The priesthood of Christ	3
James 1:2-11	The worth and work of trials	7

I Peter 4:7-11	That God in all things may be glorified	1; 8
II Peter 1:2-4	Gifts and promises	3
I John 3:19-24	Assurance of salvation	6
I John 5:9-15	He that hath the Son hath life	4

The Festival of Pentecost

Exod. 19:16-20:20	The Ten Commandments	12
Psalms 40:4-9	Lo, I come	14
Isa. 32:14-18	Until the Spirit be poured upon us	14
Isa. 44:1-6	Beside Me there is no God	6
Isa. 62:1-12	Raising aloft the banner of God	7
Ezek. 36:22-28	God's promise of a new Spirit	1; 7; 9; 10
Joel 3:1-5	The promise of restoration	2; 12
Matt. 10:1-15	The twelve instructed and sent forth	14
John 6:60-71	The confession of Peter	10
John 7:37-39	Rivers of living water	6; 8
John 14:15-21	The promised Comforter	5; 8; 9; 10; 12 (15-20)
John 14:23-31	The work of the Holy Spirit	1; 8; 3 (23-27)
John 15:1-7	I am the true vine	7
John 16:7-14	The Spirit of truth	13
Acts 2:1-13	The Holy Spirit fills the believers	1; 2; 3; 8 (1-18); 12 (1-21)
Acts 2:32-41	Peter's preaching bears fruit	5; 4 (38-41)
Acts 2:37-47	Life in the apostolic church	8; 11 (41-47)
Acts 8:14-25	Peter and John at Samaria	7
I Cor. 2:6-16	The hidden wisdom of God	10
I Cor. 12:3-7	Concerning spiritual gifts	3
II Cor. 1:18-24	The earnest of the Spirit in our hearts	14
Eph. 1:3-23	The church, the body of Christ	7
Eph. 1:9-14	The earnest of our inheritance	4
Eph. 2:19-22	Fellow citizens with the saints	2; 8 (17-22); 9 (10-22)
Heb. 2:2-4	The witness of the Spirit	3
Heb. 8:8-11	The promise of a new covenant	6

Monday after Pentecost

Psalms 11:1-7	If the foundations be destroyed	14
Psalms 80:15-20	The vineyard of the Lord's planting	10
Isa. 41:16-20	I will make the wilderness a pool of water	14
Isa. 44:1-6	Beside Me there is no God	9

Isa. 54:7-13	God's kingdom shall not depart	7
Jer. 31:31-34	The new covenant	7; 12
Ezek. 32:22-28	Lamentation for the fall of Egypt	6
Ezek. 36:22-28	God's promise of a new Spirit	2; 6; 3 & 5 (26, 27); 12 (25-28)
Matt. 10:16-22	The twelve instructed and sent forth	10
Mark 13:9-13	Jesus foretells the end of all things	14
Luke 13:18-21	The parable of the mustard seed	3
John 3:16-21	God so loved the world	1; 8
John 4:19-24	Worship in spirit and in truth	6
John 6:44-47	The Father draws men to the Son	8
John 7:33-39	Rivers of living water	10
John 12:44-50	The judgment on unbelief	8
John 15:1-8	I am the true vine	12
John 15:8-16	Continue ye in My love	7; 9 (9-16)
Acts 2:14-18	Peter's sermon on Pentecost	3
Acts 2:22-39	Repent and be baptized	6
Acts 2:33-42	Peter's preaching bears fruit	10; 12 (36-41)
Acts 2:37-47	Life in the apostolic church	2; 9 (42-47)
Acts 10:42-48	The Holy Spirit shed upon the Gentiles	1; 8
Acts 11:19-26	The first church of Gentile Christians	8
Acts 19:1-8	The Ephesians receive the Spirit	7
I Cor. 2:7-16	The hidden wisdom of God	5
I Cor. 12:12-30	The church, the body of Christ	8
II Cor. 6:16	Temple of the living God	3
Eph. 2:19-22	Fellow citizens with the saints	4; 7 (13-22)
Eph. 3:1-7	Gentiles should be fellow heirs	14
Eph. 4:11-16	The diversity of spiritual gifts	2; 9

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

Num. 6:22-27	The blessing of Moses	6; 9; 10; 12
Isa. 6:1-6	The prophet's vision of the Lord's glory	1; 2 (1-7) 7 & 9 (1-8); 12 (1-13) 6 (3-7); 14
Isa. 48:9-19	The triune God and His work	14
Isa. 48:10-22	I will not give My glory unto another	7
Jer. 10:1-16	There is none like unto Thee, O Lord	14
Matt. 3:13-17	This is My beloved Son	10
Matt. 28:16-20	The great commission	2; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9; 10; 12 (18-20)

Luke 3:21-23	The baptism of Jesus	14
John 3:1-15	Jesus and Nicodemus	1; 8
John 14:8-19	Father, Son, and Holy Ghost	13
John 15:1-9	I am the true vine	8
Acts 2:33-47	Life in the apostolic church	7
Acts 2:38, 39	Peter's preaching bears fruit	3; 11 (37-40)
Rom. 11:33-36	The unsearchable wisdom of God	1; 8
I Cor. 2:1-12	The hidden wisdom of God	2; 4 (7-14)
I Cor. 2:10, 11	The Spirit searcheth the deep things of God	3
I Cor. 12:4-13	The gifts of the Spirit	6
II Cor. 13:14	The New Testament benediction	3; 7 (1-14); 9 (11-14)
Eph. 1:3-14	Blessed with spiritual blessings	9; 12
Col. 1:9-23	Christ, the head of the church	8
II Tim. 1:7-14	Life and immortality brought to light	14
Titus 3:4-8	The washing of regeneration	5
I Peter 1:1-9	Born anew to a living hope	10
I John 3:1-9	Now are we the sons of God	8
I John 4:12-16	God is love	3

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Gen. 12:1-4	The call to Abram	6
Gen. 17:1-7	God renews His covenant with Abram	2
Exod. 34:1-10	The tables of the law renewed	12
Deut. 5:22-33	Moses receives the law	14
Deut. 6:4-13	Love to God enjoined	1; 9; 7 (1-15)
II Chron. 6:17-20, 24-42	Solomon's prayer of dedication	14
Psalms 78:1-7	Declaring God's law	3
Psalms 139	In praise of God's omniscience	12
Prov. 11:23-31	The blessings of the liberal soul	10
Matt. 5:1-10	The Beatitudes	7; 12 (1-12)
Matt. 13:31-35	The parable of the mustard seed	9
Matt. 16:24-27	Conditions of discipleship	8
Matt. 19:16-26	The rich young ruler	10
Mark 4:26-32	The growth of the seed	5; 6 (26-29)
Luke 12:13-21	The rich man's folly	8; 13 (16-21)
Luke 16:19-31	The rich man and Lazarus	1; 8
Luke 17:20, 21	The kingdom of God in the midst of you	3
John 6:47-58	I am the bread of life	14
John 12:44-50	The judgment on unbelief	11
John 15:1-8	I am the true vine	10
Acts 2:42-47	Life in the apostolic church	3; 5; 6; 12

Acts 3:1-11	The lame man healed	2
Acts 4:1-12	Peter and John before the rulers	4
Acts 4:32-37	Believers of one heart and soul	7; 9 (32-35)
Rom. 8:1-11	Free from condemnation	2; 10
I Tim. 6:6-19	The gain of godliness	8
II Tim. 2:19-26	The Lord knoweth them that are His	14
I Heb. 10:23-25	Hold fast without wavering	3
James 2:8-13	Judged by the law of liberty	4
James 4:13-16	What is your life?	8
James 5:1-7	Selfish living condemned	7
I John 4:16-21	Perfect love casteth out fear	1; 8

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 15:1-6	God promises Abram a son	6
Gen. 22:1-18	Abraham offers his son Isaac	2
Exod. 23:1-9	Love thy neighbor	14
Num. 21:4-9	Moses and the fiery serpents	12
Judges 2:1-12	The people at Bochim rebuked	10
Job 36:26-37:13	The wondrous works of God	12
Prov. 9:1-10	True wisdom	1; 9; 7 (1-11)
Jer. 7:25-28	A nation that obeyeth not	3
Dan. 1:1-21	Daniel and his friends	14
Hosea 11:1-7	The Lord's love for Israel	8
Matt. 5:13-16	The salt, the light, the candle	12
Matt. 5:27-41	But I say unto you	7
Matt. 9:9-13	The calling of Matthew	6; 9
Matt. 11:16-24	Jesus denounces the cities	10
Luke 9:51-62	Fitness for the kingdom	8; 13 (57-62)
Luke 14:16-24	The parable of the great supper	1; 8
Luke 14:25-35	Counting the cost	8
Luke 15:11-32	The parable of the prodigal son	5
John 5:23, 24	From death to life	3
John 7:40-53	The people divided because of Christ	14
John 8:1-11	Christ forgives the adulteress	10
Acts 3:1-10	The lame man healed	3; 6; 12 (1-9)
Acts 4:1-12	Peter and John before the rulers	2
Acts 4:13-21	Boldness of Peter and John	4
Acts 5:1-11	Ananias and Sapphira	7
Acts 17:10-14	Paul and Silas in Berea	11
Rom. 10:1-11	Necessity for the gospel	2; 9 (1-15)
I Cor. 1:26-31	What God hath chosen	8
II Cor. 13:8	Truth invincible	3
Heb. 13:1-9	Admonitions to charity and honesty	10

James 2:1-13	Judged by the law of liberty	7; 14
James 2:14-24	Faith and works	4
I John 1:5-2:2	Jesus Christ, our advocate	5
I John 3:13-18	Let us love in deed and in truth	1; 8

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Gen. 17:1-9	God renews His covenant with Abraham	6
Gen. 28:10-22	Jacob's vision and God's covenant	2
Num. 23:7-12	Balaam's parables	12
Josh. 24:14-27	God's covenant renewed	7
II Chron. 33:9-16	Manasseh restored	10
Prov. 16:17-33	Disposing is of the Lord	14
Isa. 4:2-6	Blessings of Christ's kingdom	14
Isa. 12:1-6	God is my salvation	1; 9
Ezek. 18:20-24	The soul that sinneth shall die	12
Matt. 5:1-6	The Beatitudes	6
Matt. 5:13-16	The salt, the light, the candle	3
Matt. 5:17-19	The righteousness which availeth	12
Matt. 9:9-13	The calling of Matthew	8
Matt. 15:1-14	God's commands and men's ways	5
Matt. 17:14-21	The powerless disciples	13
Matt. 19:3-9	The sacredness of marriage	4
Mark 10:13-16	Jesus blesses little children	10
Luke 15:1-10	The lost sheep and the lost coin	1; 8
Luke 15:11-32	The parable of the prodigal son	7; 8; 9; 10
Luke 18:15-17	Jesus and the little children	14
John 5:39-44	The Scriptures testify of Christ	3
Acts 3:1-16	The lame man healed	7; 9
Acts 3:9-26	Peter preaches repentance	12
Acts 4:1-12	Peter and John before the rulers	6
Acts 4:8-22	Boldness of Peter and John	3; 2 (13-22)
Acts 5:34-42	Gamaliel's wise counsel	5
Acts 24:24-27	Paul's second hearing before Felix	11
Rom. 4:1-8	Abraham justified by faith	8
Eph. 2:1-10	The riches of God's grace	8
Eph. 2:13-18	Christ Jesus, our peace	2
I Tim. 1:8-17	Christ came to save sinners	10
I Tim. 4:6-11	Godliness is profitable unto all things	14
II Tim. 3:15-17	The value of the holy Scriptures	3
James 2:14-23	Faith and works	7
James 4:1-10	Steps to divine favor	4
† Peter 5:6-11	Be sober, be vigilant	1; 8

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Gen. 18:20-33	Abraham pleads for Sodom	6
Exod. 3:1-15	Moses and the burning bush	2
Josh. 24:14-28	God's covenant renewed	12
I Sam. 3:1-19	The Lord appears to Samuel	7
Psalms 103	Praise God for His mercy	12
Psalms 119:1-16	Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way?	14
Isa. 12:1-6	God is my salvation	10
Isa. 43:8-13	Beside Me there is no Savior	14
Isa. 65:17-19, 24, 25	The new Jerusalem	1; 9
Matt. 5:7-12	The Beatitudes	6
Matt. 5:11-16	The salt, the light, the candle	7; 9 (13-16)
Matt. 5:28-30	But I say unto you	12
Matt. 7:1-6	Judge not that ye be not judged	10
Matt. 7:24-27	The two foundations	3
Matt. 8:5-13	Jesus praises the centurion's faith	5
Matt. 23:13-22	Hypocrisy in the church	13
Mark 11:27-33	Christ's authority challenged	14
Luke 4:16-21	The acceptable year of the Lord	4
Luke 6:36-42	The mote and the beam	1; 8
Luke 13:1-5	Exhortation to repentance	8
Luke 17:1-10	Forgiveness enjoined	10
John 6:47-51	I am the bread of life	3
John 8:1-11	Christ forgives the adulteress	8
Acts 4:1-12	Peter and John before the rulers	9; 12 (1-22)
Acts 4:8-31	Boldness of Peter and John	7
Acts 4:23-37	Believers of one heart and soul	2
Acts 5:16-21	Imprisonment and deliverance of the apostles	3
Acts 6:8-15	The arrest of Stephen	14
Acts 7:54-8:3	Stephen stoned to death	10
Acts 8:26-38	Philip and the Ethiopian	6
Acts 9:1-20	The conversion of Saul	5
Acts 13:38-43	Paul preaches at Antioch	11
Rom. 2:1-13	No respect of persons with God	8
Rom. 8:18-23	The glorious liberty of the children of God	1; 8
Rom. 14:1-18	Lenience in judgment	8
Col. 4:1-6	Continuance in prayer	2
I Tim. 1:18, 19	Holding faith and a good conscience	3
II Tim. 3:12-17	The value of the Holy Scriptures	4
II Peter 1:2-15	Increment of Christian graces	7

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 12:1-4	The call of Abram	8
Gen. 19:15-26	Sodom and Gomorrah destroyed	6
Exod. 3:1-15	Moses and the burning bush	10
Exod. 17:1-7	Water from the rock in Horeb	2
Judg. 2:1-12	The people at Bochim rebuked	12
I Sam. 3:1-4:1a	Speak, Lord, for Thy servant heareth	14
I Sam. 16:1-13	Samuel anoints David	7
Lam. 3:22-32	The multitude of God's mercies	1; 9; 12 (22-40)
Ezek. 2:1-7	Thou shalt speak My words	14
Matt. 5:43-48	God's impartial providence	12
Matt. 6:22, 23	If the light in thee be darkness	3
Matt. 7:24-29	The two foundations	6
Matt. 14:34-36	The sick made well	13
Matt. 16:13-20	Peter's confession of faith	8
Luke 5:1-11	The draught of fishes	1; 8
Luke 7:36-50	The woman who was a sinner	7
Luke 9:18-26	Conditions of discipleship	9
Luke 10:1-15	Commission of the seventy	14
Luke 10:38-42	Jesus commends Mary	5
Luke 12:15-21	The rich man's folly	4
John 1:35-51	John's disciples follow Jesus	8
John 1:43-51	Philip and Nathanael	10
John 8:31-36	The truth shall make you free	3
John 21:15-19	Jesus restores the penitent Peter	10
Acts 4:23-31	Prayer of the early church	12
Acts 5:1-11	Ananias and Sapphira	2
Acts 5:34-42	Gamaliel's wise counsel	3; 9; 7 (17-42)
Acts 6:8-15	Stephen before the council	11
Acts 9:1-19	The conversion of Saul	6; 10 (1-22)
Acts 9:32-43	The miracles of Peter	7
Acts 26:1-29	Paul's call to the apostleship	8
Gal. 2:17-21	Justification by faith	2; 4 (16-21)
Phil. 3:8-14	The high calling of God in Christ Jesus	5
Heb. 13:9	Strengthened by grace	3
I Peter 3:8-15	Called to inherit a blessing	1; 8
I Peter 5:1-5	Feed the flock which is among you	14

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 4:3-16	Cain murders his brother Abel	10
Gen. 25:7-10	Death and burial of Abraham	6
Deut. 6:1-9	Love to God enjoined	2

Josh. 24:14-28	God's covenant renewed	14
Ruth 1:1-17	Entreat me not to leave thee	1; 12
I Sam. 24:1-20	David spares Saul's life	7
Job 5:17-26	The happy end of God's correction	14
Psalm 1	Obedience and disobedience	9
Psalm 91	The Lord is my refuge	12
Isa. 5:8-16	God's judgment of the oppressor	8
Matt. 5:17-19	The righteousness which availeth	8
Matt. 5:20-26	The higher righteousness required by Christ	1; 8
Matt. 5:38-42	The law of love and the law of retaliation	8
Matt. 5:44-48	God's impartial providence	3
Matt. 6:1-6	Doing of alms in secret	12
Matt. 15:1-9	God's commandments and men's traditions	10
Matt. 18:1-14	Except ye become as little children	10
Matt. 19:16-26	The rich young ruler	6
Matt. 21:28-32	Parable of the two sons	9
Mark 4:26-32	The growth of the seed	7
Mark 9:33-37	Who should be the greatest?	14
Mark 11:12-21	The barren fig tree	13
John 4:5-24	The conversation at Jacob's well	4
John 5:19-29	The righteous judge	5
John 10:23-30	The gift of eternal life	3
Acts 5:1-11	Ananias and Sapphira	11; 12 (4:32-5:11)
Acts 6:1-7	The seven deacons chosen	8
Acts 8:26-38	Philip and the Ethiopian	2; 7; 9
Acts 14:8-18	Paul and Barnabas accounted gods	6
Rom. 6:3-11	Crucified with Christ	1; 8
Rom. 6:12-18	Servants of righteousness	10
Rom. 10:12-18	The universality of the gospel	2
Gal. 3:1-12	The just shall live by faith	7
Eph. 2:4-10	The riches of God's grace	5
I Thess. 4:9-12	An appeal to labor in brotherly love	4
I Tim. 5:17-25	The elders that rule well	14
James 2:8-17	Faith and works	8
I John 1:8-10	Peril of self-righteousness	3

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 28:10-22	Jacob's vision and God's covenant	6
Gen. 41:45-47	Joseph exalted	14
Deut. 32:1-7	Remember the days of old	2
I Sam. 3:1-18	The Lord appears to Samuel	12
I Ki. 3:5-14	Solomon asks for wisdom	7

I Ki. 17:1-16	Elijah and the widow	10
Psalms 116	The deliverer from death	12
Psalms 141:1-5	Incline not my heart to any evil thing	14
Isa. 62:6-12	Raising aloft the banner of God	1; 9
Matt. 6:1-8	Doing of alms in secret	3
Matt. 6:7-13	The Lord's Prayer	12
Matt. 13:44-46	The parable of the treasure and the pearl	6
Matt. 15:10-20	That which defiles a man	10
Matt. 16:15-19	Peter's confession of faith	3
Matt. 17:1-8	The transfiguration of our Lord	8
Matt. 17:9-13	Descent from the mount of transfiguration	8
Matt. 18:15-22	Forgiving our brethren	10
Matt. 19:16-26	The rich young ruler	7
Mark 4:26-29	The growth of the seed	9
Mark 7:14-23	The heart, the center of life	14
Mark 8:1-9	The four thousand fed	1
Luke 8:1-3	The women minister to Christ	13
Luke 13:10-17	Jesus heals on the Sabbath Day	5
John 13:31, 32	The Son of man is glorified	8
Acts 5:12-24	Imprisonment and deliverance of the apostles	12
Acts 5:34-42	Gamaliel's wise counsel	4
Acts 6:8-15 & 7:55-59	Stephen's defense and death	3
Acts 9:1-19	The conversion of Saul	2; 7
Acts 10:1-33	Peter and Cornelius	7
Acts 16:22-33	Conversion of the jailer at Philippi	6
Acts 18:24-28	Apollos instructed	11
Rom. 6:19-23	Free from sin and servants to God	1
II Cor. 12:2-9	My grace is sufficient for thee	8
Eph. 4:29-32	Grieve not the Holy Spirit	10
I Tim. 1:12-17	Christ came to save sinners	2
I Tim. 6:6-12	The gain of godliness	9
Heb. 12:5-11	The peaceful fruit of righteousness	5
Heb. 12:12-17	Looking unto Jesus	14
Heb. 13:8	The changeless Christ	3
I Peter 2:5-10	Ye are a chosen generation	4
II Peter 1:16-18	Christ's glory and honor	8
Rev. 1:9-18	John's vision of the glorified Christ	8

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Exod. 3:1-14	Moses and the burning bush	6
Deut. 33:1-3	All His saints are in Thy hands	2

I Sam. 10:17-27	Saul chosen king	12
Psalms 119:105-112	God's word a lamp and a light	12
Psalms 119:113-128	I love Thy testimonies	14
Jer. 2:4-17	Broken cisterns	14
Jer. 23:16-29	Judgments against false prophets	1; 9; 7 (16-32); 10 (21-32)
Matt. 5:33-37	Warning against oaths and profanity	14
Matt. 6:19-21	Treasures which abide	3; 12 (19-23)
Matt. 7:15-23	Beware of false prophets	1; 8 (15-21)
Matt. 7:22-29	The two foundations	8
Matt. 9:9-13	The calling of Matthew	3
Matt. 10:32-42	Conditions of discipleship	7
Matt. 12:46-50	Who are My brethren?	9
Matt. 19:16-26	The rich young ruler	5
Matt. 23:23-33	Judgment on the Pharisees	13
Mark 8:34-38	What shall it profit a man?	6
Luke 17:7-10	We are unprofitable servants	4
John 5:30-38	Greater witness than John	10
John 7:14-24	Jesus teaches in the Temple	10
Acts 6:1-7	The seven deacons chosen	12
Acts 8:14-25	Peter and John at Samaria	3
Acts 9:36-43	The miracles of Peter	11
Acts 12:1-17	Peter delivered from prison	7
Acts 14:8-18	Paul and Barnabas accounted gods	2
Acts 16:12-15	The conversion of Lydia	6
Acts 16:16-36	Paul and Silas at Philippi	7; 9 (16-32)
Rom. 8:8, 9	If the Spirit dwell in you	3
Rom. 8:12-17	The spirit of adoption	1; 8
Rom. 11:11-21	The parable of the olive tree	2
II Cor. 6:14-7:1	The appeal to separation	14
Gal. 3:1-4	The folly of apostasy	8
I Tim. 4:1-9	A good minister of Christ	4
I Tim. 6:6-10	The gain of godliness	5
I John 4:1-6	How to try the spirits	8; 10

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 37:4-11	Joseph's dreams	3
Exod. 17:1-7	Water from the rock in Horeb	6
Exod. 32:1-14	Worship of the golden calf	10
Josh. 4:1-18	What mean ye by these stones?	14
I Sam. 3:1-19	The Lord appears to Samuel	2

I Sam. 8:1-10	The people ask for a king	14
I Sam. 15:16-23	The Lord rejects King Saul	12
Psalm 53	God disappointed in man	12
Prov. 6:6-11	Warning against slothfulness	8
Prov. 16:1-9	God's mind and man's mind	1; 7; 9
Matt. 7:24-29	The two foundations	12
Matt. 13:44-46	The parable of the treasure and the pearl	9
Matt. 13:44-52	The parable of the pearl and the dragnet	7
Matt. 14:22-34	Jesus walks upon the sea	6
Matt. 16:24-28	Conditions of discipleship	5
Mark 10:1-12	The sanctity of marriage	13
Mark 12:38-44	Jesus and the widow's mite	10
Luke 5:17-26	Christ's power to forgive sin	14
Luke 12:42-48	The reward of the faithful steward	3; 8
Luke 16:1-9	The unrighteous steward	1; 8
Luke 16:10-15	Ye cannot serve God and mammon	8
John 5:39-47	The Scriptures testify of Christ	10
John 7:10-18	Jesus teaches in the Temple	11
Acts 7:51-59	Stephen stoned to death	12
Acts 8:14-24	Peter and John at Samaria	4; 3 (14-25)
Acts 8:26-38	Philip and the Ethiopian	3
Acts 16:16-34	Paul and Silas at Philippi	2
Acts 17:24-31	Paul at Athens	5; 7; 9 (16-34)
Acts 24:22-26	Paul's second hearing before Felix	6
Rom. 6:16-18	Servants of righteousness	3
Rom. 11:25-32	Restoration of Israel	2
I Cor. 10:6-13	God's faithfulness in our temptations	1; 8
I Cor. 10:29-11:1	Do all to the glory of God	14
II Thess. 3:1-13	Be not weary in well-doing	7; 8 (10-13)
I Tim. 6:6-10	The gain of godliness	10
II Tim. 2:3-13	The Word of God is not bound	4

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 6:12-22	The flood announced	14
Deut. 4:23-31	Dispersion of Israel prophesied	10
Deut. 32:1-9	The song of Moses	6
I Sam. 7:5-12	The Philistines are subdued	2
I Sam. 19:1-6	Jonathan saves David	3
I Sam. 24:2-23	David spares Saul's life	12
Jer. 7:1-11	A call to true repentance	1; 9; 7 (1-15)
Jer. 8:4-9	The impenitence of God's people	12
Ezek. 33:30-33	A prophet hath been among them	14
Matt. 11:20-24	Jesus denounces the cities	8

Matt. 21:12-22	Jesus cleanses the Temple	10
Matt. 21:33-46	Parable of the vineyard	10
Matt. 23:34-39	Jesus laments over Jerusalem	6; 9
Luke 4:23-30	The rejection in Nazareth	8
Luke 12:49-56	Divisions because of the gospel	7
Luke 13:31-35	Jesus laments over Jerusalem	3
Luke 19:1-10	Jesus and Zacchaeus	5
Luke 19:41-48	Jesus weeps over Jerusalem	1; 8 (41-47)
Luke 20:9-19	The wicked husbandmen	14
John 4:31-38	Fields white unto harvest	13
John 5:19-29	The righteous judge	12
Acts 4:8-20	Boldness of Peter and John	10
Acts 7:54-59	Stephen stoned to death	6
Acts 8:1-8	Everywhere preaching the Word	12
Acts 8:36-39	Philip baptizes the Ethiopian eunuch	4
Acts 9:1-8	The conversion of Saul	3
Acts 13:44-49	Lo, we turn to the Gentiles	11
Acts 14:8-20	Paul and Barnabas accounted gods	7
Acts 17:21-34	Paul at Athens	2
Acts 20:17-38	Charge to the elders at Miletus	7; 9
Rom. 1:16-21	The gospel, the power of God	4
Rom. 11:17-24	The goodness and severity of God	8
I Cor. 3:10-17	Other foundation can no man lay	2
I Cor. 12:1-11	Concerning spiritual gifts	1; 8 (2-11)
I Tim. 1:12-17	Christ came to save sinners	5
Heb. 3:12-19	Made partakers of Christ	8
Heb. 5:11-6:10	Let us go on to perfection	14
I Peter 3:15, 16	Be ready to answer	3

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Num. 9:15-23	Guided by cloud and by fire	14
I Sam. 7:5-12	The Philistines are subdued	6
I Sam. 24:17-20	David spares Saul's life	3
II Sam. 7:1-16	God's covenant with David	2; 12
Ezek. 13:9-16	Lying prophets reproved	12
Dan. 4:28-37	The Lord humbleth the proud	14
Dan. 9:15-18	The prayer of Daniel	1; 7 (8-19); 9 (15-19)
Micah 2:7-13	The restoration of Jacob promised	10
Matt. 16:13-20	Peter's confession of faith	6
Matt. 18:1-5	Jesus teaches humility	11
Matt. 21:28-31	Parable of the two sons	8
Matt. 23:1-12	Hypocrisy of the Pharisees	8

Mark 2:13-17	The call of Matthew	10
Mark 11:20-26	Have faith in God!	14
Mark 12:41-44	Jesus and the widow's mite	5; 7
Luke 7:36-50	The woman who was a sinner	9
Luke 9:49-56	The Son of man is come to save	4
Luke 13:1-5	Exhortation to repentance	13
Luke 13:23-25	The closed door of the kingdom	3
Luke 18:9-14	The Pharisee and the publican	1; 8
John 5:30-36	Greater witness than John	12
John 9:1-7	Jesus heals the man born blind	10
Acts 8:9-25	Peter and John at Samaria	12
Acts 9:19-28	Saul's life is sought at Damascus	3
Acts 15:4-22	Paul and Barnabas report to the church	7
Acts 17:15-34	Paul at Athens	6
Acts 20:15-38	Charge to the elders at Miletus	2
Rom. 3:21-31	Justified by grace	8
Rom. 3:23-31	Justification by faith	4
Rom. 8:33-39	We are more than conquerors	9
Rom. 14:17-19	The kingdom of God is not meat and drink	3
I Cor. 15:1-10	The resurrection appearances of Christ	1; 8
I Thess. 5:14-24	The blameless Christian life	2
I Tim. 6:6-12	The gain of godliness	7
II Tim. 4:1-8	A crown of righteousness	10
James 2:13-17	Faith and works	5
James 4:7-17	Humble yourselves in the sight of God	14
I John 1:8-2:2	Jesus Christ, our advocate	8

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Exod. 34:29-35	Moses' shining face	10
Deut. 30:11-20	The Lord is thy life	14
I Sam. 16:1-13	Samuel anoints David	6
II Sam. 7:17-29	David's prayer of thanksgiving	2; 12
II Sam. 18:31-33	O Absalom, my son, my son!	3
Psalms 62	God, the only hope of man	7
Psalms 70:1-5	Make haste, O God, to deliver me	14
Prov. 9:1-18	True wisdom	12
Isa. 29:18-21	The promise of good things to come	1; 9
Matt. 5:33-37	Warning against oaths and profanity	8
Matt. 6:1-8	Doing of alms in secret	11
Matt. 9:27-34	Jesus heals two blind men	10
Matt. 12:33-37	The tree is known by its fruits	8
Matt. 13:31-35	The parable of the mustard seed	6
Matt. 19:1-12	What God hath joined together	14

Mark 7:31-37	Jesus heals a deaf-mute	1; 8
Luke 4:38-44	The great physician	13
Luke 15:11-32	The parable of the prodigal son	3
John 5:37-47	The Scriptures testify of Christ	12
John 8:31-35	The truth shall make you free	5; 9 (31-36)
John 8:37-45	Christ's divine sonship challenged	7
John 9:24-41	The testimony of the man born blind	10
Acts 8:26-38	Philip and the Ethiopian	12
Acts 9:1-20	The conversion of Saul	4
Acts 10:25-33	Peter and Cornelius	3
Acts 16:9-15	The Macedonian call	7; 9
Acts 19:23-40	The silversmith at Ephesus	6
Acts 26:24-31	Paul's appeal to Agrippa	2
Rom. 7:18-8:4	The law of sin in the flesh	5
Rom. 9:30-10:8	Christ the end of the law	14
I Cor. 2:9-16	The hidden wisdom of God	8
II Cor. 3:4-11	Able ministers of the New Testament	1; 8 (4-18)
II Cor. 3:12-18	The veil of Moses	10
Phil. 2:12-18	The sons of God as lights in the world	4
James 2:10	Guilty of the whole law	3
James 3:1-18	Worldly and heavenly wisdom	7
James 3:8-12	The sins of the tongue	8
I Peter 3:15-18	Christ on the right hand of God	2

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 43:26-30	Joseph weeps over Benjamin	3
Exod. 20:18-24	The Lord commands an altar to be built	10
I Sam. 2:27-36	The sins of Eli's sons	14
II Sam. 12:1-10	Nathan's parable	6; 12
II Sam. 24:10-14	David numbers the people and repents	2
Job 38:1-11	God challenges Job to answer	12
Prov. 2:1-8	In praise of wisdom	14
Prov. 4:4-27	The just contrasted with the wicked	7
Zech. 7:4-10	Kingdom requirements	1; 9
Matt. 5:13-19	The salt, the light, the candle	6
Matt. 5:43-6:4	Love and the doing of alms	8
Mark 12:28-37	Jesus refutes the scribes	10
Mark 12:41-44	Jesus and the widow's mite	8; 9
Luke 6:20-31	Blessings and woes	5
Luke 6:31-36	Love your enemies	13
Luke 9:57-62	Fitness for the kingdom	3
Luke 10:23-37	Parable of the Good Samaritan	1; 2; 8
Luke 12:49-57	Divisions because of the gospel	11

Luke 15:11-19	The prodigal son leaves home	4
Luke 20:41-44	David's Lord and Son	14
John 6:44-51	I am the bread of life	12
John 7:25-31	Christ's divinity challenged	10
John 9:24-41	The testimony of the man born blind	7
Acts 9:1-22	The conversion of Saul	12
Acts 12:1-11	Peter delivered from prison	3
Acts 18:1-18	Paul at Corinth	7
Acts 20:17-38	Charge to the elders at Miletus	6
Rom. 2:11-16	Judgment by the law	14
Rom. 8:31-39	We are more than conquerors	2
I Cor. 7:24	Abide therein with God	3
II Cor. 9:6-10	God loveth a cheerful giver	8
Gal. 3:15-22	The purpose of the law	1; 8 (16-22)
Gal. 3:21-28	All one in Christ Jesus	8
Phil. 2:1-4	Love and humility enjoined	4
Phil. 2:1-11	The mind of Christ	5
James 1:2-12	The worth and work of trials	10
I Peter 2:1-10	Ye are a chosen generation	7; 9
I John 4:7-10	Love is of God	8

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Num. 12:1-15	The sedition of Miriam and Aaron	14
Num. 21:4-9	Moses and the fiery serpents	10
I Sam. 3:11-13	Judgment of Eli because of his sons	3
II Sam. 23:1-7	David's faith in God's promises	12
I Ki. 3:5-14	Solomon asks for wisdom	2
Psalms 50:14-23	God's delight in obedience	9
Psalms 63:1-8	God, the perfect hope of man	7
Psalms 147:1-11	It is good to praise the Lord	8
Prov. 3:1-16	Honor the Lord with thy substance	12
Prov. 4:14-23	The just contrasted with the wicked	1; 6
Zech. 8:7-13	Ye shall be a blessing	14
Matt. 10:16-22	The twelve instructed and sent forth	6
Matt. 10:28-38	Comfort in persecution	6
Matt. 11:16-19	Wisdom is justified of her children	3
Matt. 11:25-30	Come unto Me	8
Matt. 12:9-21	Jesus heals the withered hand	10
Matt. 13:44-50	The parable of the pearl and the dragnet	5
Matt. 20:20-28	The Son of man is come to minister	7
Mark 4:26-28	The growth of the seed	12
Luke 6:6-11	The Son of man is Lord of the Sabbath	14
Luke 7:36-50	The woman who was a sinner	10

Luke 8:22-25	Jesus stills the winds	13
Luke 15:11-32	The parable of the prodigal son	2
Luke 15:20-32	The prodigal son returns home	4
Luke 17:11-19	Ten lepers cleansed	1; 8
John 5:1-14	Jesus at the pool of Bethesda	8; 9
John 15:17-27	The hatred of the world	11
Acts 11:1-18	The church acknowledges the call to the Gentiles	12
Acts 13:42-49	Lo, we turn to the Gentiles	3
Acts 21:3-19	Paul at Caesarea	7
Rom. 7:14-25	The law of sin in the flesh	10
II Cor. 4:1-18	Things unseen are eternal	7
Gal. 5:16-24	The fruit of the Spirit	1; 8
Eph. 2:19-22	Fellow citizens with the saints	6
Eph. 6:1-9	Domestic duties	2
Phil. 3:8-16	The high calling of God in Christ Jesus	4
I Tim. 1:12-17	Christ came to save sinners	8; 9
James 1:5, 6	If any lack wisdom	3
James 3:6-18	The sins of the tongue	14
II Peter 1:2-11	Increment of Christian graces	5

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Deut. 6:4-13	Love to God enjoined	12
I Ki. 3:5-15	Solomon asks for wisdom	12
I Ki. 17:8-16	Elijah and the widow	1; 9; 6 & 7 (1-16)
I Ki. 18:21-40	The prophets of Baal slain	10
I Ki. 19:1-18	God's voice comes to Elijah	2
Psalm 37:12-24	The Lord upholdeth the righteous	14
Isa. 56:8-57:2	The righteous shall enter into peace	14
Dan. 5:13-17	Daniel brought before the king	3
Matt. 5:43-48	God's impartial providence	11
Matt. 6:19-23	Treasures which abide	8
Matt. 6:24-34	Ye cannot serve God and mammon	1; 8
Matt. 11:25-30	Come unto Me	3
Mark 9:14-29	Jesus heals the demoniac son	14
Luke 9:46-56	The Son of man is come to save	2
Luke 10:38-42	Jesus commends Mary	8
Luke 11:5-13	Encouragement to prayer	6
Luke 11:13-15	Beware of covetousness	13
Luke 12:13-21	The rich man's folly	5; 7 (15-23)
Luke 12:32-36	God's faithful providence	12
Luke 14:12-15	Admonition to feed the poor	10

Luke 17:10	We are unprofitable servants	3
Luke 18:1-8	The importunate widow	6
John 11:1-11	Jesus and His friends in Bethany	9
John 14:7-14	Lord, show us the Father	10
Acts 14:8-20	Paul and Barnabas accounted gods	4; 3 (11-18); 12 (1-20)
Acts 20:32-35	It is more blessed to give than to receive	8
Acts 21:40-22:22	Paul tells of his conversion	7
Rom. 3:1-20	The universality of guilt	14
Rom. 14:1-12	None of us liveth to himself	4
I Cor. 7:29-31	The independence of the Christian	8
II Cor. 8:1-15	The grace of liberal giving	7
II Cor. 9:6-11	God loveth a cheerful giver	10
Gal. 5:25-6:10	Let us not be weary in well-doing	1; 8
Eph. 4:8-16	Christ, the head of the church	6
II Thess. 3:6-16	Be not weary in well-doing	2; 9 (6-13)
I John 2:12-17	Love not the world	5

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

II Sam. 12:18-23	David's child dies	3
I Ki. 17:17-24	Elijah restores the widow's son	6
II Ki. 4:18-37	Is it well with the child?	14
II Ki. 5:8-19	Naaman the leper healed	10
II Chron. 7:12-22	God appears to Solomon	12
II Chron. 15:1-8	The altar of the Lord is renewed	2
Job 5:17-26	The happy end of God's correction	1; 7; 9
Jer. 17:5-10	The deceitfulness of man's heart	12
Ezek. 24:15-27	Ezekiel shall be a sign to you	14
Matt. 11:25-30	Come unto Me	9
Matt. 22:23-33	The God of the living	10
Matt. 25:14-30	The parable of the talents	6
Mark 8:22-26	A blind man healed	14
Luke 7:11-17	The widow's son restored to life	1; 8
Luke 8:49-56	Raising the ruler's daughter	13
Luke 9:46-56	The Son of man is come to save	7
Luke 9:57-62	Fitness for the kingdom	2
Luke 13:6-9	Parable of the fig tree	12
Luke 17:7-10	We are unprofitable servants	11
Luke 20:27-40	Conditions of the future life	10
John 5:19-21	The power of Jesus to give life	8
John 9:1-5	Jesus heals the man born blind	3
John 11:1-44	Jesus raises Lazarus to life	8
John 15:1-11	I am the true vine	5

Acts 14:19-23	Paul stoned at Lystra	3
Acts 16:16-34	Paul and Silas at Philippi	4; 12 (13-40)
Acts 23:1-17	Paul pleads his cause	7
Rom. 14:13-23	The kingdom of God is not meat and drink	4
I Cor. 8:1-6	To us there is but one God	14
II Cor. 4:7-14	The life of Jesus manifested in our body	8
Eph. 3:13-21	That Christ may dwell in your hearts	1; 8
Phil. 1:19-26	To me to live is Christ	8
I Thess. 5:14-24	The blameless Christian life	6
Heb. 12:14-24	The heavenly Jerusalem	7; 9 (18-24)
James 3:1-10	The sins of the tongue	2
James 4:7-10	Steps to divine favor	3
I John 2:28-3:8	Now are we the sons of God	5
I John 3:1-9	God's great love toward us	10

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Exod. 2:16-20	Moses meets his wife	3
Lev. 19:9-18	Sundry laws of Israel	12
Num. 27:12-23	Joshua made Moses' successor	14
I Sam. 15:13-26	The Lord rejects King Saul	10
II Chron. 13:3-18	Israel's idolatry and defeat	12
Psalms 75:4-7	The proud rebuked	9
Psalms 130	There is forgiveness with Thee	2
Psalms 138	The Lord, the perfecter	7
Prov. 16:1-9	God's mind and man's mind	6
Prov. 25:6-13	A word fitly spoken	1
Hosea 6:1-6	I desired mercy and not sacrifice	14
Matt. 12:1-8	Lord even of the Sabbath Day	9; 10
Matt. 13:44-46	The parable of the treasure and the pearl	12
Mark 2:23-28	The Lord of the Sabbath	13; 14
Mark 2:23-3:5	The true observance of the Sabbath	8
Luke 9:57-62	Fitness for the kingdom	7
Luke 10:38-42	Jesus commends Mary	6
Luke 12:54-57	Lack of spiritual discernment	3
Luke 13:10-17	Jesus heals on the Sabbath Day	10; 11
Luke 14:1-11	Jesus teaches humility	1; 8
John 8:31-36	The truth shall make you free	8
John 9:1-12	Jesus heals the man born blind	2; 5 (1-7)
Acts 6:1-7	The seven deacons chosen	10
Acts 15:6-12	Paul and Barnabas report to the church	3
Acts 17:15-34	Paul at Athens	12
Acts 17:16-28	Paul's sermon on Mars' Hill	4

Acts 24:1-25	Paul's first hearing before Felix	7
Rom. 7:18-25	The law of sin in the flesh	4
II Cor. 8:1-9	The grace of liberal giving	2
Gal. 5:1-14	Christ has set us free	8
Eph. 4:1-6	One Lord, one faith	1; 8
Col. 2:16-23	A shadow of things to come	8
I Thess. 4:11, 12	An appeal to labor in brotherly love	3
Heb. 4:9-13	A rest to the people of God	5; 9
Heb. 6:1-15	Let us go on to perfection	7
James 3:13-18	Worldly and heavenly wisdom	6
II John 6-11	Abide in the doctrine of Christ	14

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 18:20-32	Abraham pleads for Sodom	3
Deut. 21:18-21	Treatment of a rebellious son	12
I Ki. 18:21-40	The prophets of Baal slain	12
II Chron. 1:7-12	Solomon's choice of wisdom	1; 9
Psalms 138	The Lord, the perfecter	14
Prov. 16:1-9	God's mind and man's mind	2
Jer. 17:5-10	The deceitfulness of man's heart	6
Lam. 3:22-40	The multitude of God's mercies	7
Ezek. 3:17-21	God's instruction to the prophet	10
Nahum 1:2-7	The Lord knoweth them that trust in Him	14
Matt. 5:1-12	The Beatitudes	10
Matt. 5:33-37	Warning against oaths and profanity	3
Matt. 6:5-15	The Lord's Prayer	10
Matt. 10:16-22	The twelve instructed and sent forth	3
Matt. 12:30-37	The parable of the mustard seed	7
Matt. 13:44-46	The parable of the treasure and the pearl	8
Matt. 13:44-52	The parable of the pearl and the dragnet	12
Matt. 22:34-46	Love, the great commandment	1; 8
Matt. 25:14-30	The parable of the talents	11
Mark 10:17-27	The rich young ruler	2; 8; 9
Mark 10:35-45	The Son of man came to serve	4
Luke 6:17-19	Jesus ministers to the multitudes	14
Luke 7:36-50	The woman who was a sinner	6
John 8:46-59	Before Abraham was, I am	13
John 9:24-39	The testimony of the man born blind	5
Acts 17:16-28	Paul at Athens	3
Acts 20:17-38	Charge to the elders at Miletus	12
Acts 26:13-32	Paul's appeal to Agrippa	7
Rom. 10:1-13	Necessity for the gospel	8
Rom. 13:1-7	Duties of citizenship	4

I Cor. 1:4-9	Enriched by Christ in everything	1; 8 (4-8)
II Cor. 7:6-10	Repentance unto salvation	6
II Thess. 3:1-5	Paul seeks the prayers of the brethren	10
I Tim. 6:6-16	The gain of godliness	2
Heb. 10:22-39	Perseverance in hope	7
James 2:10-17	Faith and works	9
I John 2:7-17	He that doeth the will of God abideth forever	8
I John 2:24-29	He that doeth righteousness is born of God	14
I John 4:7-12	The propitiation of our sins	5

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 2:15-24	They shall be one flesh	14
Gen. 28:10-17	Surely, the Lord is in this place	1
Gen. 33:9-11	Jacob and Esau reconciled	3
Deut. 24:17-22	Harvest for the poor	12
I Ki. 19:1-18	God's voice comes to Elijah	6; 12 (4-18)
Psalms 32:1-7	The blessedness of the forgiven man	9
Psalms 37:25-40	Inheritance of the righteous	10
Psalms 73:1-5, 22-28	Whom have I in heaven but Thee?	8
Jer. 16:16-21	They shall know that Thy name is the Lord	14
Ezek. 33:12-20	Turn ye from your evil ways	2
Hosea 14:1-9	The ways of the Lord are right	7
Matt. 6:19-23	Treasures which abide	10
Matt. 9:1-8	Jesus forgives and heals the paralytic	1; 8
Matt. 10:40-42	Reward to the hospitable	10
Matt. 12:1-13	Lord even of the Sabbath Day	6
Mark 3:28, 29	The unpardonable sin	13
Mark 9:38-41	Jesus teaches tolerance	3; 14 (38-50)
Mark 12:38-44	Jesus and the widow's mite	2
Luke 7:36-50	The woman who was a sinner	5
Luke 15:11-24	The parable of the prodigal son	12
Luke 18:1-8	The importunate widow	7
John 7:40-52	The people divided because of Christ	8
John 9:1-41	The man born blind	8
John 9:24-41	The testimony of the man born blind	9
Acts 19:1-11	The Ephesians receive the Spirit	3
Acts 19:23-40	The silversmith at Ephesus	4
Acts 21:8-14	Paul at Caesarea	11
Acts 28:16-31	Paul preaches at Rome	12
Rom. 7:14-25	The law of sin in the flesh	8
Rom. 14:14-23	The kingdom of God is not meat and drink	7
II Cor. 2:14-17	In the sight of God we speak Christ	14

II Cor. 9:6-15	God loveth a cheerful giver	2
Eph. 4:22-28	Put on the new man	1; 8 (17-28)
Col. 3:1-10	Seek those things which are above	10
Col. 3:17-4:1	Christian duties in the home	4
Col. 4:2-9	Continuance in prayer	7
II Thess. 3:5-12	Be not weary in well-doing	6
James 3:5-10	The sins of the tongue	3
James 3:13-18	Worldly and heavenly wisdom	5
James 5:13-20	Effectual and fervent prayer	9

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 13:8, 9	Abraham pleads for peace with Lot	3
I Ki. 21:17-25	Elijah denounces King Ahab	6
II Ki. 2:6-18	Elijah and the chariot of fire	10; 12 (1-12)
Psalms 1	Obedience and disobedience	7
Psalms 121	Divine help and protection	2
Prov. 2:1-8	In praise of wisdom	1; 9
Prov. 6:6-11	Warning against slothfulness	12
Jer. 30:12-17	Why criest thou for thine affliction?	14
Ezek. 36:29-38	They shall know that I am the Lord	14
Matt. 5:27-30	But I say unto you	3
Matt. 7:24-29	The two foundations	10
Matt. 9:35-38	The harvest is plenteous	7
Matt. 19:3-8	The sacredness of marriage	3
Matt. 21:33-46	Parable of the vineyard	8
Matt. 22:1-14	Marriage of the king's son	1; 8
Matt. 23:1-12	Hypocrisy of the Pharisees	11
Matt. 25:14-30	The parable of the talents	8
Mark 1:21-28	Jesus' doctrine and deeds bring amazement	14
Mark 9:42	Offending the little ones	13
Luke 6:43-49	The wise and foolish builders	10
Luke 12:15-23	The rich man's folly	2
Luke 15:25-32	The elder son's complaint	12
Luke 18:1-8	The importunate widow	5
Luke 19:1-5	Jesus and Zacchaeus	6
John 15:1-8	I am the true vine	9
Acts 19:23-40	The silversmith at Ephesus	3
Acts 20:17-38	Charge to the elders at Miletus	4
Acts 28:17-31	Paul preaches at Rome	7
Rom. 14:1-9	None of us liveth to himself	9
Eph. 5:15-21	Walk not as fools but as wise	1; 8 (15-20)
Eph. 6:1-9	Domestic duties	6
I Thess. 2:9-20	Paul's glory and joy	7

I Tim. 2:1-6	One Mediator between God and men	5
Heb. 4:1-11	A rest to the people of God	2
Heb. 10:19-31	Stir up one another to love and good works	8
James 3:13-18	Worldly and heavenly wisdom	4
James 5:13-20	Effectual fervent prayer	14
I Peter 2:3-9	Living stones built into a spiritual house	8
I John 1:5-2:2	Jesus Christ our advocate	10
Rev. 2:1-7	The letter to the church of Ephesus	12

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 37:12-28	Joseph sold by his brethren	14
II Sam. 7:17-29	David's prayer of thanksgiving	1; 7; 9
Ruth 1:15-17	Entreat me not to leave thee	3
Psalm 125	The Lord, the protector	2
Prov. 23:19-35	Warning against drunkenness	12
Isa. 30:15-19	Blessed are they that wait for the Lord	6
Isa. 59:17-21	The Redeemer shall come to Zion	14
Dan. 3:19-30	Three men in the fiery furnace	10
Jonah 3:10-4:11	God reproves Jonah	12
Matt. 12:46-50	Who are My brethren?	3
Matt. 16:1-4	The signs of the times	8
Matt. 18:15-20	Forgiving our brethren	11
Matt. 20:29-34	Lord, that our eyes may be opened	14
Matt. 21:33-44	Parable of the vineyard	12
Mark 10:13-16	Jesus blesses little children	9
Mark 10:46-52	Blind Bartimaeus healed	10
Mark 12:28-37	Jesus refutes the scribes	2
Luke 12:15-21	The rich man's folly	6
Luke 13:11-13	Healing a crippled woman	13
Luke 19:1-10	Jesus and Zacchaeus	7
John 4:46-54	Jesus heals the nobleman's son	1; 8 (46-53)
John 5:1-9	Jesus at the pool of Bethesda	10
John 10:22-30	The gift of eternal life	8
John 11:32-45	Jesus raises Lazarus to life	5
Acts 20:17-38	Charge to the elders at Miletus	3
Acts 21:8-14	Paul at Caesarea	4
Rom. 5:1-8	The blessings of justification	8
Rom. 14:4-12	Judging one's brother	10
I Cor. 12:12-17	Many members, one body	7
I Cor. 15:35-40	The glory of the resurrection life	5
II Cor. 8:1-12	The grace of liberal giving	6
II Cor. 10:3-6	The weapons of our spiritual warfare	14
Eph. 5:25	As Christ loved the church	3

Eph. 6:1-9	Domestic duties	7; 9
Eph. 6:10-17	The armor of God	1; 8 (10-18)
I Tim. 6:3-12	The gain of godliness	6
Heb. 11:24-27	Seeing Him by faith	8
James 2:8-13	Judged by the law of liberty	2
I John 3:1-3	Now are we the sons of God	4
Rev. 2:8-11	Be thou faithful unto death	12

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 39:2-5	Joseph prospers with Potiphar	3
Gen. 50:15-23	Joseph comforts his brethren	10
II Chron. 32:1-21	The king of Assyria slain	12
Neh. 1:1-11	Nehemiah mourns, fasts, and prays	14
Psalms 127	Except the Lord build the house	2
Prov. 2:1-15	In praise of wisdom	7
Prov. 24:13-22	The security of the just man	12; 1 & 9 (14-20)
Jer. 17:15-17	Thou art my hope in the day of evil	14
Zeph. 3:14-20	Restoration of Israel	6
Matt. 13:24-30	The tares among the wheat	13
Matt. 18:15-22	Forgiving our brethren	8
Matt. 18:23-35	The unmerciful servant	1; 8
Matt. 21:28-31	Parable of the two sons	3
Matt. 22:23-33	The God of the living	5
Matt. 23:27, 28	Whited sepulchres	3
Mark 4:21-25	The responsibility of hearers	8
Mark 5:1-20	The legion of devils cast out	14
Luke 8:27-39	The legion of devils cast out	10
Luke 9:57-62	Fitness for the kingdom	9
Luke 10:17-22	The return of the seventy	6
Luke 14:25-35	Counting the cost	10
Luke 19:1-10	Jesus and Zacchaeus	2
John 8:23-36	The truth shall make you free	7
John 15:18-21	The hatred of the world	12
Acts 15:6-12	Paul and Barnabas report to the church	11
Acts 21:8-14	Paul at Caesarea	3
Acts 24:24-27	Paul's second hearing before Felix	4
Rom. 4:1-8	Abraham justified by faith	10
I Cor. 9:13-23	All things to all men	7
II Cor. 4:11-18	Things unseen are eternal	5
Eph. 4:30-32	Grieve not the Holy Spirit	8
Phil. 1:3-11	Paul's prayer for the Philippian	1; 8
I Thess. 5:14-23	The blameless Christian life	8

II Thess. 3:6-13	Be not weary in well-doing	4
Heb. 7:26-8:2	The appointed Son made perfect forever	14
Heb. 13:1-9	Admonitions to charity and honesty	9
Heb. 13:1-21	The God of peace make you perfect	7
James 1:9-12	The crown of life	2
James 5:7-11	Patient waiting for the Lord	6
Rev. 3:1-6	The letter to the church in Sardis	12

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

Exod. 5:1-4	Pharaoh chides Moses and Aaron	3
I Sam. 20:27-42	Saul seeks David's life	10
II Ki. 18:1-8	Hezekiah's good reign	14
II Ki. 23:1-3	The covenant established with God	1
II Chron. 34:14-28	Hilkiah finds the book of the law	12
Psalms 85:6-13	The nearness of God's salvation	9
Psalms 123	Our eyes wait upon the Lord	2
Psalms 126	They that sow in tears shall reap in joy	7
Prov. 11:9-12:14	The blessings of the liberal soul	12
Isa. 44:6-8	Is there a God beside Me?	14
Hag. 2:1-10	The glory of the second temple	6
Matt. 7:12	The golden rule	8
Matt. 10:24-33	Comfort in persecution	9
Matt. 17:24-27	Jesus pays tribute	8; 10
Matt. 22:15-22	The tribute to Caesar and to God	1; 8
Mark 12:13-17	The things that are Caesar's	13
Mark 12:18-27	The God of the living	12
Mark 12:41-44	Jesus and the widow's mite	3; 4 (38-44)
Luke 13:23-30	The closed door of the kingdom	6
Luke 14:16-24	The parable of the great supper	5
Luke 16:10-17	Ye cannot serve God and mammon	11
Luke 19:11-27	Blessed are the faithful	2
Luke 20:20-26	Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar?	14
John 5:19-26	The righteous judge	7
John 7:1-13	My time is not yet come	10
Acts 20:26-32	Charge to the elders at Miletus	10
Acts 24:10-16	Paul's first hearing before Felix	3
Rom. 13:1-7	Duties of citizenship	8
Rom. 16:17-20	Wise unto good, simple concerning evil	14
Phil. 1:21-30	Paul's readiness for life or death	4
Phil. 3:17-21	Our citizenship is in heaven	1; 8 (17-4:3)
Col. 3:1-4	Seek those things which are above	6
I Tim. 2:1-6	Exhortation to prayer	8

I Tim. 4:1-11	A good minister of Jesus Christ	7; 9 (4-11)
Heb. 4:9-13	A rest to the people of God	6; 7 (1-13)
Heb. 12:7-13	The peaceful fruit of righteousness	2
James 4:2, 3	Evil desire the source of strife	3
Rev. 3:14-22	The letter to the church of the Laodiceans	12
Rev. 21:1-8	A new heaven and a new earth	5

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

I Ki. 17:17-24	Elijah restores the widow's son	1
II Chron. 36:11-21	Final deportation to Babylon	12
Psalms 39	The brevity and vanity of life	9
Prov. 30:1-14	Give me neither poverty nor riches	12
Eccl. 7:3-9	Sorrow is better than laughter	7
Isa. 8:9-17	I will wait upon the Lord	2
Isa. 54:7-13	God's kindness shall not depart	10
Isa. 55:8, 9	Call to faith and repentance	3
Isa. 63:1-9	The year of My redeemed is come	6
Jer. 6:10-16	Peace, peace, when there is no peace	14
Ezek. 18:23-32	Are not My ways equal?	14
Matt. 9:18-26	The daughter of Jairus	1; 8
Matt. 16:5-12	The leaven of the Pharisees	5
Matt. 20:20-23	Human ambition	3
Matt. 24:1-14	Jesus teaches concerning His coming	6
Mark 8:10-21	Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees	14
Mark 8:34-38	What shall it profit a man?	10
Mark 13:1-13	Jesus foretells the end of all things	12
Luke 14:25-33	Counting the cost	13
Luke 16:10-17	Ye cannot serve God and mammon	2
Luke 20:27-40	Conditions of the future life	4; 8
John 6:37-40	The will of Him that sent Me	8; 11
John 10:22-30	The gift of eternal life	7; 10; 9 (23-30)
Acts 24:24-27	Paul's second hearing before Felix	3
I Cor. 1:26-31	What God hath chosen	14
I Cor. 15:35-49	The glory of the resurrection life	8
II Cor. 5:1-10	We walk by faith, not by sight	8
Phil. 1:20, 21	To me to live is Christ	3
Col. 1:9-14	The inheritance of the saints in light	1; 8 (9-12)
I Thess. 5:1-11	Children of light and of the day	6
I Thess. 5:14-24	The blameless Christian life	9
II Tim. 3:1-13	The value of the holy Scriptures	7
II Tim. 4:1-8	A crown of righteousness	4

Heb. 11:1-10	The nature and fruits of faith	5
James 4:1-17	What is your life?	7
James 5:7-11	Patient waiting for the Lord	2
Rev. 3:7-13	The letter to the church in Philadelphia	10
Rev. 7:9-17	The multitude before the throne	12

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Exod. 33:11-17	God promises Moses His presence	10
Job 14:1-5	The brevity of man's life	1; 9
Psalms 39	The brevity and vanity of life	7
Psalms 126	They that sow in tears shall reap in joy	2
Eccles. 8:11-13	Welfare of godly and wicked contrasted	3
Isa. 35:4-10	The return of the ransomed of the Lord	6
Dan. 2:31-48	Daniel made chief	12
Dan. 12:1-10	The end of the days	14
Joel 3:9-21	The day of the Lord is near	14
Mal. 3:13-4:6	The jewels of the Lord	12
Matt. 7:21-27	The two foundations	13
Matt. 10:16-28	Comfort in persecution	7
Matt. 13:44-52	Parable of the pearl and the dragnet	10
Matt. 13:47-50	The parable of the dragnet	3
Matt. 16:1-12	The leaven of the Pharisees	10
Matt. 21:33-43	The parable of the vineyard	5
Matt. 24:1-14	Jesus teaches concerning His coming	8
Matt. 24:15-28	The abomination of desolation	1; 8
Matt. 24:29-36	The sign of the Son of man	14
Mark 13:32-37	Watch and pray	11
Luke 12:35-46	Be ye therefore ready	2
Luke 13:22-29	The closed door of the kingdom	8
Luke 17:26-37	The coming of the Son of man	12
John 5:19-29	The righteous judge	9
John 11:21-27	I am the resurrection and the life	6
John 14:1-6	The way, the truth, the life	4
Acts 25:6-12	Paul appeals to Caesar	3
Rom. 8:31-39	We are more than conquerors	10
II Cor. 5:6-11	We walk by faith, not by sight	2; 4 (1-10)
I Thess. 4:13-18	The faithful resurrected and transformed	1; 8
I Thess. 5:1-10	God hath appointed us to salvation	8
II Thess. 2:1-12	The mystery of iniquity	8; 6; 7 (1-17)
Heb. 10:32-39	Perseverance in hope	9
James 1:27	Pure religion before God	3
James 4:4-10	Steps to divine favor	5

I John 2:12-19	Love not the world	7
Rev. 7:9-17	The multitude before the throne	14
Rev. 19:1-9	The marriage supper of the Lamb	12

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Gen. 19:15-29	Sodom and Gomorrah destroyed	10
Deut. 32:21-43	God's judgments	12
Ezra 3:10-13	Foundations of the Temple laid	12
Psalms 16:8-11	My flesh also shall rest in hope	3
Psalms 126	They that sow in tears shall reap in joy	9
Psalms 139:1-12, 23, 24	In praise of God's omniscience	8
Isa. 24:15-23	The Lord shall reign in Mount Zion	14
Isa. 63:1-9	The year of My redeemed is come	2
Ezek. 34:17-24	The Lord will judge	14
Dan. 7:9-14	The judgment	1
Mal. 3:13-18	The jewels of the Lord	7
Matt. 24:35-44	The unexpected coming of the Son of man	8; 14 (37-44)
Matt. 24:42-51	Admonitions to watchfulness	4
Matt. 25:1-13	The wise and foolish virgins	8
Matt. 25:14-30	The parable of the talents	5; 12
Matt. 25:31-46	The Son of man on the throne of His glory	1
Mark 13:14-23	Signs of the end	13
Mark 13:31-37	Watch and pray	8
Luke 12:49-57	Divisions because of the gospel	2
Luke 13:23-30	The closed door of the kingdom	11
Luke 16:10-17	Ye cannot serve God and mammon	10
Luke 19:11-27	Blessed are the faithful	7; 9; 10
John 5:19-29	The righteous judge	6
Acts 26:24-32	Paul's appeal to Agrippa	3
I Cor. 15:58	The victory over death	3
II Cor. 4:13-18	Things unseen are eternal	2
II Cor. 9:6-15	God loveth a cheerful giver	7
II Thess. 1:3-10	The righteous judgment of God	1
Heb. 4:14-16	Our great high priest	10
Heb. 12:18-24	The heavenly Jerusalem	5; 6
James 5:7-20	Effectual fervent prayer	7
II Peter 3:3-14	The coming of the day of God	1; 8 (3-13)
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Luke 9:51-56	The Son of man is come to save	5
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19:23-27	Easter
22:21-30	4th in Lent
33:13-30	5th in Lent
36:26-37:13	2nd a. Trinity
38:1-11	13th a. Trinity

Psalms

1	6th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
2	a. Christmas
	5th in Lent
8	2nd in Advent
	1st a. Epiphany
	Palm Sunday
11:1-7	Mon. a. Pentecost
12:2-6	4th a. Epiphany
14:1-7	Quinquagesima
16:1-11	Monday a. Easter
16:8-11	Monday a. Easter
	26th a. Trinity
19:1-14	Sun. a. Ascension
21:2-8	Transfiguration
22	3d in Lent
	Good Friday
22:1-11	Good Friday
22:22-31	3d in Advent
23	4th in Lent
	Holy Thursday
	2nd a. Easter
	3d a. Easter
24:1-10	1st in Advent
25	3d in Lent
	Holy Thursday
26:1-12	1st a. Epiphany
31:1-14	4th in Lent
32:1-7	19th a. Trinity
32:1-11	4th a. Epiphany
33:1-22	New Year's Day
34:2-9	Harvest
35:19-28	2nd in Lent
37:12-24	15th a. Trinity
37:25-40	19th a. Trinity
39	2nd in Lent
	24th a. Trinity
	25th a. Trinity
40:2-12	4th a. Easter
40:4-9	Pentecost
40:5-17	1st in Advent
40:7-9	Quinquagesima

Psalms

40:10-17	3d in Lent
42	5th a. Epiphany
	Sun. a. Ascension
42:1-11	4th in Lent
45:1-7	1st in Advent
46	Reformation
47	Ascension
50	Transfiguration
50:14-23	14th a. Trinity
51	2nd in Lent
53	2nd a. Epiphany
	9th a. Trinity
62	12th a. Trinity
62:2-8	Quinquagesima
62:5-8	a. Christmas
63:1-8	14th a. Trinity
65	Harvest
67:1-7	New Year's Day
68:15-20	Ascension
69	Missions
69:6-16	5th in Lent
70:1-5	12th a. Trinity
71:17-24	a. Christmas
73:1-5, 22-28	19th a. Trinity
73:23-26	5th in Lent
73:23-28	a. New Year
75:4-7	17th a. Trinity
77:7-14	3d in Lent
78:1-7	1st a. Epiphany
	1st a. Trinity
80:15-20	Mon. a. Pentecost
84:1-12	1st a. Epiphany
85	Humiliation
85:6-13	23d a. Trinity
85:8-14	1st in Lent
87:1-3	Reformation
89:1-8	Monday a. Easter
90	New Year's Day
90:1-12	a. Christmas
90:2-6	New Year's Day
91	6th a. Trinity
92	27th a. Trinity

Psalms

93	4th a. Epiphany
96:1-10	Missions
97:1-12	Epiphany
98	4th a. Easter
100	1st in Advent
	3d a. Easter
100:1-5	Presentation
102:11-28	5th a. Easter
102:26-29	New Year's Day
103:1-5	Harvest
103:8-18	a. Christmas
103	4th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
	St. John,
	the Baptist
	Harvest
104:24-35	2nd a. Epiphany
110	Ascension
110:1-3	Ascension
111	New Year's Day
	Holy Thursday
113:1-7	St. Michael
113:1-9	5th a. Epiphany
116	5th a. Easter
	7th a. Trinity
116:1-9	3d in Lent
117:1, 2	2d in Advent
118:14-24	Easter
118:14-29	Easter
	Monday a. Easter
118:16-22	Palm Sunday
118:24-29	Monday a. Easter
119:1-16	4th a. Trinity
119:29-52	Reformation
119:89-105	Sexagesima
119:105-112	8th a. Trinity
119:113-128	8th a. Trinity
121:1-8	New Year's Day
	20th a. Trinity
122	1st a. Epiphany
	Sun. a. Ascension
123	23d a. Trinity

Psalms

124:1-8	a. New Year
125	21st a. Trinity
126	23d a. Trinity
	25th a. Trinity
	26th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
127	22nd a. Trinity
128:1-6	2nd a. Epiphany
130	2nd in Lent
	17th a. Trinity
130:1-8	Humiliation
138	17th a. Trinity
	18th a. Trinity
139	1st a. Trinity
139:1-12,	26th a. Trinity
23, 24	
	Transfiguration
139:7-12	1st a. Epiphany
141:1-5	7th a. Trinity
145:1-12	Palm Sunday
145:15-21	Harvest
146	a. New Year
147:1-11	14th a. Trinity
148	Thanksgiving
149:1-9	Christmas Day
150:1-6	2d Christmas Day

Proverbs

2:1-8	13th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
2:1-15	22nd a. Trinity
3:1-7	St. Bartholomew,
	Apostle
3:1-16	14th a. Trinity
3:5-7	2nd a. Epiphany
4:4-27	13th a. Trinity
4:14-23	14th a. Trinity
6:6-11	9th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
7:10-15	Annunciation
8:22-31	1st in Advent

Proverbs

8:22-36	2nd Christmas Day
9:1-10	2nd a. Trinity
9:1-11	2nd a. Trinity
9:1-12	Septuagesima
9:1-18	12th a. Trinity
10:7	All Saints' Day
11:1-8	2d Christmas Day
11:9-12:14	23d a. Trinity
11:23-31	1st a. Trinity
16:1-9	9th a. Trinity
16:17-33	3d a. Trinity
	17th a. Trinity
	18th a. Trinity
22:17-19	2nd a. Easter
23:19-35	21st a. Trinity
24:13-22	22nd a. Trinity
24:14-20	22nd a. Trinity
25:6-13	17th a. Trinity
30:1-14	24th a. Trinity
30:7-9	St. Matthew, Apostle
36:26-37:13	2nd a. Trinity

Ecclesiastes

7:3-5	Quinquagesima
7:3-9	1st in Lent
	24th a. Trinity
8:11-13	25th a. Trinity
12:1-7	1st a. Epiphany
12:13, 14	27th a. Trinity

Isaiah

1:10-18	5th in Lent
1:16-18	Humiliation
2:1-5	Epiphany
2:2-5	2nd in Advent
	4th in Advent
	Epiphany
3:10, 11	3d a. Epiphany

Isaiah

4:2-6	1st a. Easter
	3d a. Trinity
5:1-7	4th a. Easter
5:8-16	6th a. Trinity
6:1-6	Trinity Sunday
6:1-7	Trinity Sunday
6:1-8	Trinity Sunday
6:1-13	Trinity Sunday
6:3-7	Trinity Sunday
7:10-15	Annunciation
7:10-16	Annunciation
8:9-17	24th a. Trinity
8:20-22	2nd a. Epiphany
	Transfiguration
9:2-7	Christmas Day
9:6, 7	Christmas Day
	2nd Christmas Day
11:1-5	2nd Christmas Day
	Visitation
12:1-6	a. Christmas
	3d a. Trinity
	4th a. Trinity
	4th in Advent
12:2-6	St. Peter and
22:2-23	St. Paul
24:15-23	26th a. Trinity
25:1-8	Easter
	Monday a. Easter
25:1-9	Sexagesima
	3d a. Easter
26:1-12	Thanksgiving
26:13-20	Monday a. Easter
28:14-19	a. Christmas
29:18-21	12th a. Trinity
30:15-19	21st a. Trinity
32:14-18	Pentecost
32:14-20	Sun. a. Ascension
33:13-24	1st a. Easter
35:3-10	27th a. Trinity
35:4-10	25th a. Trinity
35:5-8	St. Luke, Evangelist

Isaiah

40:1-5	2nd in Advent
	St. John,
	the Baptist
40:1-8	3d in Advent
	St. John,
	the Baptist
40:1-9	4th in Advent
40:1-10	3d in Advent
40:6-11	2nd a. Easter
40:9-11	4th in Advent
40:25-31	3d a. Easter
40:26-31	a. Christmas
	New Year's Day
	3d a. Easter
40:27-31	a. Christmas
41:16-20	Mon. a. Pentecost
42:1-8	Epiphany
	3d in Lent
	4th in Lent
42:1-12	Epiphany
42:10-16	4th a. Easter
43:1-7	Missions
43:8-13	4th a. Trinity
43:16-20	a. New Year
44:1-6	Pentecost
44:6-8	23d a. Trinity
45:5-7	a. New Year
45:5-8	Monday a. Easter
45:22-25	Palm Sunday
48:9-19	Trinity Sunday
48:10-22	Trinity Sunday
49:1-9	Epiphany
49:1-13	2nd Christmas Day
	Epiphany
49:1-15	4th a. Easter
49:5, 6	Annunciation
49:8-14	4th a. Easter
49:22-26	3d in Lent
50:4-10	1st in Lent
51:1-12	4th a. Epiphany
51:3-5	4th in Advent
52:1-10	1st a. Easter

Isaiah

52:7-10	4th in Lent
	Monday a. Easter
52:7-17	2nd in Lent
52:13-53:12	Good Friday
53	Good Friday
53:1-7	Good Friday
53:1-12	St. Matthias,
	Apostle
53:4, 5	5th in Lent
53:8-12	Easter
53:11, 12	Palm Sunday
54:7-13	5th a. Easter
	Mon. a. Pentecost
	24th a. Trinity
54:7-14	2nd a. Easter
55	Sun. a. Ascension
55:1-5	St. Mark,
	Evangelist
55:1-13	2nd in Advent
	5th a. Easter
55:3-5	Epiphany
55:3-11	Epiphany
55:6-11	Sexagesima
	4th a. Easter
55:8, 9	24th a. Trinity
56:1-7	3d in Advent
56:8-57-2	15th a. Trinity
57:2	All Saints' Day
57:11-21	4th a. Easter
57:15-21	Ascension
58:6-9	2nd in Lent
59:17-21	21st a. Trinity
60:1-6	Epiphany
60:1-11	Epiphany
60:17-22	New Year's Day
61	3d in Advent
61:1-3	1st in Advent
61:1-6	2nd a. Epiphany
61:1-7	3d a. Epiphany
61:10, 11	3d a. Easter
	Thanksgiving
62:1-12	Pentecost

Isaiah

62:6-12	7th a. Trinity
62:10-12	1st in Advent
63:1-9	24th a. Trinity
	26th a. Trinity
63:7-16	a. Christmas
63:7-17	a. Christmas
64:1, 2	Sun. a. Ascension
64:1-12	4th in Lent
65:12-19	27th a. Trinity
65:17-19, 24, 25	4th a. Trinity
66:1, 2	St. Matthias, Apostle

Jeremiah

1:4-10	St. Paul, Conversion
2:4-17	8th a. Trinity
2:17-19	1st in Lent
2:19	5th a. Epiphany
3:14-19	Missions
3:22, 23	1st in Lent
5:24	5th a. Easter
6:10-16	24th a. Trinity
7:1-11	10th a. Trinity
7:1-15	10th a. Trinity
7:25-28	2nd a. Trinity
8:4-9	Quinquagesima 10th a. Trinity
8:4-12	Quinquagesima
8:19-22	Quinquagesima
9:23, 24	Septuagesima
10:1-16	Trinity Sunday
15:15-21	4th a. Easter
16:16-21	19th a. Trinity
17:5-10	16th a. Trinity 18th a. Trinity
17:5-14	1st in Lent
17:15-17	22nd a. Trinity
18:1-10	5th a. Epiphany
18:1-14	Palm Sunday

Jeremiah

20:1-13, 18	4th in Advent
20:7-11	4th in Lent
23:1-8	4th in Advent
23:16-29	8th a. Trinity
23:16-32	8th a. Trinity
23:21-32	8th a. Trinity
24:1-10	5th a. Epiphany
26:1-15	3d in Lent
26:16-19	St. Simon and St. Jude
29:7-14	Harvest
30:12-17	20th a. Trinity
31:31-34	1st in Advent Septuagesima Mon. a. Pentecost
33:14-16	Annunciation

Lamentations

3:18-39	4th in Lent
3:22-26	New Year's Day
3:22-32	New Year's Day a. New Year
3:22-40	5th a. Trinity
3:31, 32	5th a. Trinity 18th a. Trinity All Saints' Day

Ezekiel

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3:16-21	St. Andrew, Apostle
3:17-21	18th a. Trinity
12:21-28	Transfiguration
13:9-16	11th a. Trinity
13:17-23	Reformation
17:22-24	Christmas Day
18:20	Sexagesima
18:20-24	3d a. Trinity
18:23-32	24th a. Trinity
24:15-17	16th a. Trinity
32:22-28	Mon. a. Pentecost

33:7-9	2nd in Lent
33:10-16	5th a. Epiphany
33:12-20	19th a. Trinity
33:30-33	10th a. Trinity
34:11-16	2nd a. Easter
	Reformation
34:17-24	26th a. Trinity
34:23-31	2nd a. Easter
36:22-28	Pentecost
	Mon. a. Pentecost
36:25-28	Mon. a. Pentecost
36:26, 27	Mon. a. Pentecost
36:29-38	20th a. Trinity
37:1-14	Monday a. Easter
37:9-14	Easter
	1st a. Easter

Daniel

1:1-21	2nd a. Trinity
2:31-48	25th a. Trinity
3:19-30	21st a. Trinity
4:28-37	11th a. Trinity
4:31-34	Septuagesima
5:13-17	15th a. Trinity
5:17-30	Septuagesima
6:10-23	3d a. Epiphany
7:9-14	26th a. Trinity
9:3-19	Humiliation
9:4-9	Humiliation
9:4-24	Humiliation
9:8-19	11th a. Trinity
9:15-18	11th a. Trinity
9:15-19	11th a. Trinity
12:1-10	25th a. Trinity

Hosea

2:18-23	3d a. Easter
6:1-6	17th a. Trinity
11:1-14	St. John, Apostle
11:1-7	2nd a. Trinity
13:9-14	Easter
14:1-9	19th a. Trinity
14:5-9	5th a. Easter

Joel	
2:12-19	Ash Wednesday
2:28-32	27th a. Trinity
3:1-5	Pentecost
3:9-21	25th a. Trinity

Amos

3:1-8	3d a. Epiphany
8:1-12	Sexagesima
8:1-14	Sexagesima
8:11, 12	Sexagesima

Jonah

2:1-10	Easter
3:1-9	Quinquagesima
3:10-4:11	Quinquagesima
	21st a. Trinity

Micah

2:7-13	11th a. Trinity
4:1-4	Annunciation
4:1-8	Christmas
5:1-3	Christmas
	2nd Christmas Day
5:1-4	Christmas
5:3-5	Annunciation
6:1-8	4th a. Epiphany
	Good Friday
7:14-20	5th a. Epiphany
	2nd a. Easter

Nahum

1:2-7	18th a. Trinity
1:2-8	New Year's Day
2:1-14	Quinquagesima

Habakkuk

2:1-4	Reformation
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Zephaniah

1:7-18	2nd in Advent
3:8-17	Missions
3:14-20	22nd a. Trinity

Haggai

1:2-14	5th a. Epiphany
2:1-10	23d a. Trinity
2:2-10	3d in Advent
2:6-9	Presentation
2:7-10	3d in Advent
	4th in Advent

Zechariah

2:10-13	2nd Christmas Day
	Annunciation
6:12-15	4th in Advent
7:4-10	13th a. Trinity
8:7-13	14th a. Trinity
9:8-12	Palm Sunday
12:8-10	Good Friday
13:6-9	Good Friday
14:8-11	Epiphany

Malachi

1:6-11	1st a. Epiphany
2:1-10	4th in Lent
2:4-9	Septuagesima
2:17-3:6	2nd Christmas Day
3:1-4	Presentation
3:1-5	27th a. Trinity
3:13-18	26th a. Trinity
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3:13-4:6	25th a. Trinity
3:16-18	St. Philip and
	St. James
4:1, 2	2nd in Advent
4:1-6	2nd in Advent
4:4-6	St. John,
	the Baptist

Matthew

1:18-23	Christmas
	Annunciation
1:18-24	Christmas
1:18-25	Christmas
2:1-12	Epiphany

Matthew

2:13-23	a. Christmas
	a. New Year
3:1-6	1st in Advent
3:1-10	2nd in Advent
3:1-11	3d in Advent
3:1-12	3d in Advent
	4th in Advent
3:7-12	2nd in Advent
3:11, 12	a. New Year
3:13-17	a. New Year
	Epiphany
	1st a. Epiphany
	Trinity Sunday
4:1-11	1st in Lent
4:1-12	2nd a. Epiphany
4:12-17	Epiphany
	3d a. Epiphany
4:12-17,	1st a. Epiphany
23-25	
4:13-22	1st a. Epiphany
4:18-22	St. Andrew,
	Apostle
5:1-6	3d a. Trinity
	1st a. Trinity
5:1-10	Septuagesima
5:1-12	1st a. Trinity
	18th a. Trinity
	All Saints' Day
5:7-12	4th a. Trinity
5:8-12	27th a. Trinity
5:11-16	4th a. Trinity
5:13-16	2nd a. Trinity
	3d a. Trinity
	4th a. Trinity
	All Saints' Day
	Missions
5:13-19	13th a. Trinity
5:17-19	3d a. Trinity
	6th a. Trinity
5:17-29	Septuagesima
5:20-26	6th a. Trinity
5:27-30	20th a. Trinity

Matthew

5:27-41	2nd a. Trinity
5:28-30	4th a. Trinity
5:33-37	8th a. Trinity
	12th a. Trinity
	18th a. Trinity
5:38-42	6th a. Trinity
5:42-48	Thanksgiving
5:43-48	5th a. Trinity
	15th a. Trinity
5:43-6:4	13th a. Trinity
5:44-48	6th a. Trinity
6:1-4	Harvest
6:1-6	6th a. Trinity
6:1-8	7th a. Trinity
	12th a. Trinity
6:5-15	18th a. Trinity
6:7-13	7th a. Trinity
6:9-13	5th a. Easter
6:16-21	Ash Wednesday
6:19-21	8th a. Trinity
6:19-23	8th a. Trinity
	15th a. Trinity
	19th a. Trinity
6:22, 23	5th a. Trinity
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6:25-34	15th a. Trinity
	Thanksgiving
7:1-6	4th a. Trinity
7:7-11	5th a. Easter
7:7-12	5th a. Easter
7:12	23d a. Trinity
7:15-21	8th a. Trinity
7:15-23	8th a. Trinity
7:21-27	25th a. Trinity
7:22-29	8th a. Trinity
7:24-27	4th a. Trinity
7:24-29	5th a. Epiphany
	5th a. Trinity
	9th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
8:1-13	3d a. Epiphany
8:5-13	4th a. Trinity

Matthew

8:14-17	3d a. Epiphany
8:19-22	2nd a. Epiphany
8:23-27	4th a. Epiphany
9:1-8	19th a. Trinity
9:9-13	a. New Year
	2nd a. Trinity
	3d a. Trinity
	8th a. Trinity
	St. Matthew, Apostle
9:9-17	Ash Wednesday
9:14-17	3d a. Easter
9:18-26	24th a. Trinity
9:27-34	12th a. Trinity
9:35-38	3d a. Epiphany
	5th a. Epiphany
	20th a. Trinity
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9:36-38	2nd a. Easter
10:1-15	Pentecost
10:2-16	Sexagesima
10:16-20	3d a. Easter
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10:16-31	5th a. Epiphany
10:19-22	Sun. a. Ascension
10:24-31	Sun. a. Ascension
10:24-33	4th a. Easter
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10:28-38	14th a. Trinity
10:32-39	2nd Christmas Day
	1st a. Epiphany
10:32-42	3d in Advent
	8th a. Trinity
10:40-42	19th a. Trinity
11:2-10	3d in Advent
11:11-19	3d in Advent
	4th in Advent
11:12-15	Reformation
11:16-19	14th a. Trinity

Matthew

11:16-24	Septuagesima Sexagesima 2nd a. Trinity
11:20-24	1st in Lent 10th a. Trinity Humiliation
11:20-30	Reformation
11:25-30	1st in Advent 3d a. Epiphany Transfiguration Sexagesima
11:25-30	14th a. Trinity 15th a. Trinity 16th a. Trinity Reformation St. Matthias, Apostle
12:1-8	17th a. Trinity
12:1-13	19th a. Trinity
12:9-21	14th a. Trinity
12:15-21	Epiphany
12:22-29	3d in Lent
12:30-37	18th a. Trinity
12:33-37	12th a. Trinity
12:38-42	2nd in Lent 1st a. Easter
12:46-50	1st a. Epiphany 2nd a. Epiphany 8th a. Trinity 21st a. Trinity
13:1-9, 18-23	Sexagesima
13:10-17	Epiphany
13:24-30	5th a. Epiphany 22nd a. Trinity
13:30-37	18th a. Trinity
13:31-33	Presentation
13:31-35	5th a. Epiphany Septuagesima 1st a. Trinity 12th a. Trinity
13:34-46	18th a. Trinity

Matthew

13:44-46	7th a. Trinity 9th a. Trinity 17th a. Trinity 14th a. Trinity
13:44-50	25th a. Trinity
13:44-52	9th a. Trinity 18th a. Trinity 25th a. Trinity
13:47-50	25th a. Trinity 27th a. Trinity
14:1-12	St. John, Baptist
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14:22-34	9th a. Trinity
14:34-36	5th a. Trinity
15:1-9	6th a. Trinity
15:1-14	3d a. Trinity
15:10-20	7th a. Trinity
15:21-28	2nd in Lent
15:29-39	Harvest
16:1-4	a. New Year 21st a. Trinity
16:1-12	a. New Year 25th a. Trinity
16:5-12	24th a. Trinity
16:6-12	New Year's Day
16:13-19	St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles
16:13-20	Septuagesima Sexagesima 5th a. Trinity 11th a. Trinity
16:15-19	St. Peter and St. Paul
16:15-20	7th a. Trinity
16:21-23	2nd a. Easter Quinquagesima 1st in Lent
16:21-26	1st in Lent
16:21-27	Quinquagesima
16:24-26	New Year's Day
16:24-27	1st a. Trinity

Matthew

16:24-28	9th a. Trinity Ascension
17:1-8	7th a. Trinity
17:1-9	Sexagesima Transfiguration
17:9-13	7th a. Trinity
17:14-21	3d a. Trinity
17:24-27	23d a. Trinity
18:1-5	11th a. Trinity
18:1-7	2nd a. Easter
18:1-10	St. Michael
18:1-11	St. Michael
18:1-14	6th a. Trinity
18:10-14	2nd a. Easter
18:15-20	21st a. Trinity
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18:23-35	22nd a. Trinity
19:1-12	12th a. Trinity
19:3-8	20th a. Trinity
19:3-9	3d a. Trinity
19:16-26	1st a. Trinity 6th a. Trinity 7th a. Trinity 8th a. Trinity
19:27-30	Septuagesima St. Paul, Conversion
20:1-16	Septuagesima
20:17-28	Quinquagesima
20:20-23	24th a. Trinity
20:20-28	14th a. Trinity St. James, Apostle
20:20-33	St. James, Apostle
20:29-34	21st a. Trinity
21:1-9	1st in Advent Palm Sunday
21:12-22	10th a. Trinity
21:14-17	St. Michael
21:28-31	11th a. Trinity 22nd a. Trinity

Matthew

21:28-32	6th a. Trinity St. Matthew, Apostle
21:33-43	25th a. Trinity
21:33-44	Quinquagesima 21st a. Trinity
21:33-46	10th a. Trinity 20th a. Trinity
22:1-14	20th a. Trinity
22:15-22	23d a. Trinity
22:23-33	16th a. Trinity 22nd a. Trinity 27th a. Trinity
22:34-46	18th a. Trinity
23:1-12	11th a. Trinity 20th a. Trinity Reformation
23:13-22	4th a. Trinity
23:23-33	8th a. Trinity
23:27, 28	22nd a. Trinity
23:34-39	2nd Christmas Day a. Christmas 5th in Lent 10th a. Trinity St. Stephen, Martyr
24:1-14	2nd in Advent 24th a. Trinity 25th a. Trinity
24:15-28	25th a. Trinity
24:29-36	25th a. Trinity
24:35-44	Transfiguration 26th a. Trinity
24:37-44	26th a. Trinity
24:42-51	26th a. Trinity
25:1-13	Transfiguration 26th a. Trinity 27th a. Trinity
25:13-30	27th a. Trinity
25:14-30	16th a. Trinity 18th a. Trinity 20th a. Trinity 26th a. Trinity

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25:31-46	26th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
26:17-30	Holy Thursday
26:26-28	Holy Thursday
26:36-46	1st in Lent
	3d in Lent
26:59-66	4th in Lent
27:1-10	4th in Lent
27:11-31	5th in Lent
27:15-26	5th in Lent
27:15-31	4th in Lent
27:29-38	Good Friday
27:29-56	Good Friday
27:33-54	Good Friday
28:1-8	Easter
28:1-10	Easter
28:9-15	Monday a. Easter
28:11-15	Monday a. Easter
28:16-20	Sun. a. Ascension
	Trinity Sunday
28:18-20	4th a. Easter
	Trinity Sunday
	Missions

Mark

1:2-8	3d in Advent
1:14-22	Epiphany
	3d a. Epiphany
1:21-28	20th a. Trinity
1:40-45	3d a. Epiphany
2:13-17	11th a. Trinity
2:18-22	1st in Lent
	3d a. Easter
2:23-28	17th a. Trinity
2:23-3:5	17th a. Trinity
3:28, 29	19th a. Trinity
3:31-35	St. Bartholomew, Apostle
4:21-25	22nd a. Trinity
4:23-29	Sexagesima
1:26-28	14th a. Trinity

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4:26-29	5th a. Epiphany
	1st a. Trinity
	7th a. Trinity
4:26-32	5th a. Epiphany
	Sun. a. Ascension
	1st a. Trinity
	6th a. Trinity
5:1-20	22nd a. Trinity
6:1-6	5th a. Epiphany
6:7-13	3d a. Epiphany
6:14-29	St. John, the Baptist
6:17-29	4th in Advent
	2nd a. Epiphany
6:20-29	a. New Year
	Transfiguration
6:45-56	4th a. Epiphany
7:14-23	7th a. Trinity
7:24-30	2nd in Lent
7:31-37	12th a. Trinity
8:1-9	7th a. Trinity
8:10-21	24th a. Trinity
8:22-26	16th a. Trinity
8:27-38	Quinquagesima
8:34-38	3d a. Easter
	8th a. Trinity
	24th a. Trinity
9:2-13	Transfiguration
9:14-29	15th a. Trinity
9:14-32	2nd in Lent
9:30-32	Quinquagesima
9:33-37	6th a. Trinity
9:38-41	5th a. Epiphany
	19th a. Trinity
9:38-50	19th a. Trinity
9:42	20th a. Trinity
10:1-12	9th a. Trinity
10:13-16	1st a. Epiphany
	3d a. Trinity
	21st a. Trinity
	St. Michael
10:17-27	18th a. Trinity

Mark		Luke	
10:32-45	Quinquagesima 1st in Lent	1:26-38	Christmas Day Annunciation
10:35-42	Quinquagesima 3d in Lent	1:37-56	3d in Advent
	18th a. Trinity	1:39-45	Annunciation
10:46-52	21st a. Trinity	1:39-56	Visitation
11:1-10	Palm Sunday	1:46-55	4th in Lent
11:1-11	Palm Sunday		2nd Christmas Day
11:12-21	6th a. Trinity		a. Christmas
11:20-26	11th a. Trinity	1:56-66	Annunciation
11:27-33	4th a. Trinity	1:57-80	4th in Advent
12:13-17	23d a. Trinity		4th in Advent
12:18-27	23d a. Trinity		St. John,
12:28-37	13th a. Trinity		the Baptist
	21st a. Trinity	1:67-75	1st in Advent
12:38-44	9th a. Trinity	1:67-79	1st in Advent
	19th a. Trinity	1:67-80	2nd in Advent
	23d a. Trinity	1:68-79	1st in Advent
12:41-44	11th a. Trinity	2:1-14	Christmas Day
	13th a. Trinity	2:1-20	Christmas Day
	23d a. Trinity	2:15-20	2nd Christmas Day
13:1-8	2nd in Advent	2:17-20	a. Christmas
13:1-13	24th a. Trinity	2:21	New Year's Day
13:9-13	Mon. a. Pentecost	2:22-32	a. Christmas
13:14-23	26th a. Trinity		Presentation
13:24-31	2nd in Advent	2:25-32	a. Christmas
13:31-37	Transfiguration		Epiphany
	26th a. Trinity	2:33-40	a. Christmas
13:32-37	25th a. Trinity	2:41-52	1st a. Epiphany
13:33-37	27th a. Trinity	2:42-52	1st a. Epiphany
14:17-26	Holy Thursday	3:1-14	3d in Advent
14:43-50	4th in Lent	3:2-18	3d in Advent
15:27-37	Good Friday	3:3-14	3d in Advent
16:1-8	Easter	3:15-17	3d in Advent
16:14-20	Ascension	3:15-18	3d in Advent
		3:21-23	Trinity Sunday
		4:1-15	1st in Lent
		4:14-22	2nd a. Epiphany
		4:14-24	2nd a. Epiphany
		4:16-21	New Year's Day
			Epiphany
			4th a. Trinity
		4:16-22	1st in Advent
Luke			
1:1-25	1st in Advent		
1:5-25	St. John, the Baptist		
1:26-36	2nd in Advent		

Luke		Luke	
4:16-30	5th a. Epiphany	9:43b-48	5th a. Epiphany
4:23-30	a. New Year	9:46-56	15th a. Trinity
	10th a. Trinity		16th a. Trinity
4:31-37	3d in Lent	9:49-56	Transfiguration
4:38-44	3d a. Epiphany		11th a. Trinity
	12th a. Trinity		15th a. Trinity
5:1-11	5th a. Trinity	9:51-56	2nd in Lent
	St. Peter and		3d in Lent
	St. Paul,		Sun. a. Ascension
	Apostles		St. James, Apostle
5:17-26	9th a. Trinity	9:51-62	2nd a. Trinity
5:27-32	a. New Year	9:57-62	a. Christmas
6:1-10	Transfiguration		Transfiguration
6:6-11	14th a. Trinity		2nd a. Trinity
6:17-19	18th a. Trinity		13th a. Trinity
6:20-26	All Saints' Day		16th a. Trinity
6:20-31	13th a. Trinity		17th a. Trinity
6:20-35	Septuagesima		22nd a. Trinity
6:31-36	13th a. Trinity		St. Andrew,
6:36-42	4th a. Trinity		Apostle
6:43-49	20th a. Trinity	10:1-9	St. Luke,
7:1-10	Transfiguration		Evangelist
7:11-17	16th a. Trinity	10:1-15	5th a. Trinity
7:18-26	3d in Advent	10:17-20	1st in Lent
7:27-35	Reformation		2nd in Lent
7:36-50	2nd in Lent	10:17-22	3d in Lent
	5th a. Trinity		22nd a. Trinity
	11th a. Trinity	10:23-37	13th a. Trinity
	14th a. Trinity	10:38-42	Septuagesima
	18th a. Trinity		Quinquagesima
	19th a. Trinity		5th a. Trinity
8:1-3	7th a. Trinity		15th a. Trinity
8:4-15	Sexagesima		17th a. Trinity
8:22-25	14th a. Trinity	11:1-4	5th a. Easter
8:27-39	22nd a. Trinity	11:1-13	5th a. Easter
8:49-56	16th a. Trinity	11:5-13	5th a. Easter
9:10-17	4th in Lent		Sun. a. Ascension
9:18-26	Septuagesima		15th a. Trinity
	Sexagesima	11:9-13	5th a. Easter
	5th a. Trinity	11:13-15	15th a. Trinity
9:28-36	Transfiguration	11:14-28	3d in Lent
9:37-43a	4th a. Epiphany		

Luke		Luke	
11:29-36	3d in Lent 1st a. Easter	13:6-9	New Year's Day 16th a. Trinity
11:37-54	Reformation	13:10-17	7th a. Trinity 17th a. Trinity
12:1-3	New Year's Day	13:11-13	21st a. Trinity
12:4-9	New Year's Day a. New Year	13:18-21	Mon. a. Pentecost
12:13-21	1st a. Trinity 15th a. Trinity	13:18-24	a. New Year
12:15-21	5th a. Trinity 21st a. Trinity Harvest	13:18-27	2nd in Advent
12:15-23	Thanksgiving 15th a. Trinity 20th a. Trinity	13:18-30	2nd in Advent
12:16-21	a. Christmas a. New Year 1st a. Trinity	13:22-29	25th a. Trinity
12:24-34	Harvest	13:23-25	11th a. Trinity
12:32	a. Christmas Reformation	13:23-30	23d a. Trinity 26th a. Trinity
12:32-36	15th a. Trinity	13:25-30	27th a. Trinity
12:35-40	2nd in Advent Humiliation	13:31-35	10th a. Trinity 5th in Lent
12:35-43	27th a. Trinity	14:1-11	17th a. Trinity
12:35-46	25th a. Trinity	14:12-15	15th a. Trinity
12:35-48	27th a. Trinity 2nd in Advent	14:16-24	2nd a. Trinity 23d a. Trinity
12:42-48	9th a. Trinity Humiliation	14:25-33	24th a. Trinity
12:49-53	2nd Christmas Day	14:25-35	2nd a. Trinity 22nd a. Trinity
12:49-56	10th a. Trinity	15:1-10	3d a. Trinity
12:49-57	13th a. Trinity 26th a. Trinity	15:11-19	13th a. Trinity
12:51-59	1st a. Epiphany	15:11-24	19th a. Trinity
12:54-57	17th a. Trinity	15:11-32	2nd a. Trinity 3d a. Trinity
13:1-5	4th a. Trinity 11th a. Trinity Humiliation	15:20-32	14th a. Trinity
13:1-9	New Year's Day 3d in Lent Humiliation	15:25-32	20th a. Trinity
		16:1-9	9th a. Trinity
		16:10-15	9th a. Trinity
		16:10-17	23d a. Trinity 24th a. Trinity 26th a. Trinity
		16:19-31	1st a. Trinity
		17:1-10	4th a. Trinity

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17:5-10	St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles
17:7-10	Septuagesima 8th a. Trinity 16th a. Trinity
17:10	15th a. Trinity
17:11-19	14th a. Trinity
17:20, 21	1st a. Trinity
17:20-24	4th Advent
17:20-25	1st Advent
17:20-30	1st Advent 2nd Advent 3d Advent
17:26-37	2nd Advent
18:1-8	25th a. Trinity 5th a. Easter 15th a. Trinity 19th a. Trinity 20th a. Trinity
18:9-14	11th a. Trinity
18:15-17	3d a. Trinity
18:31-43	Quinquagesima
19:1-5	20th a. Trinity
19:1-10	2nd a. Epiphany 3d in Lent 10th a. Trinity 21st a. Trinity 22nd a. Trinity
19:10	2nd Christmas Day
19:11-27	23d a. Trinity 26th a. Trinity
19:29-40	1st in Advent
19:41-47	10th a. Trinity
19:41-48	10th a. Trinity
20:9-19	10th a. Trinity
20:9-20	1st in Lent
20:20-26	23d a. Trinity
20:27-40	16th a. Trinity 24th a. Trinity
20:41-44	13th a. Trinity
21:25-36	2nd in Advent

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22:7-20	Holy Thursday
22:8-23	Holy Thursday
22:14-20	Holy Thursday
22:14-22	Palm Sunday Holy Thursday Holy Thursday
22:14-23	Holy Thursday
22:24-30	27th a. Trinity St. Bartholomew, Apostle
22:31, 32	Missions
22:31-38	3d in Lent
22:31-44	1st in Lent
22:35-37	Harvest
22:39-46	1st in Lent
22:45-62	2nd in Lent
22:54-62	2nd in Lent
22:63-71	3d in Lent
23:1-12	5th in Lent
23:26-38	Palm Sunday Good Friday 5th in Lent
23:27-34	Good Friday
23:32-43	Good Friday
23:39-46	Good Friday
23:39-49	Good Friday
23:39-53	Good Friday
23:44-49	Good Friday
24:1-9	Easter
24:1-12	Easter
24:13-35	Monday a. Easter 1st a. Easter
24:36-40	Monday a. Easter
24:36-47	1st a. Easter 2nd a. Easter
24:36-49	Monday a. Easter
24:44-53	Ascension
24:49-53	Ascension
24:50-53	Ascension
John	
1:1-14	Christmas
1:1-18	2nd Christmas Day 2nd Christmas Day

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1:4, 5	Epiphany
1:9-14	a. Christmas
1:14-18	Christmas
1:15-18	4th in Advent
	2nd Christmas Day
1:16-18	Presentation
1:19-28	4th in Advent
1:29-34	4th in Advent
	a. New Year
	Epiphany
1:35-41	4th in Advent
1:35-42	1st a. Epiphany
	2nd a. Epiphany
1:35-43	3d a. Epiphany
1:35-51	1st a. Epiphany
	5th a. Trinity
	St. Bartholomew,
	Apostle
1:36-51	1st a. Epiphany
1:43-51	2nd a. Epiphany
	4th a. Epiphany
	5th a. Trinity
1:47-51	4th a. Epiphany
2:1-11	2nd a. Epiphany
2:3-17	Reformation
2:13-17	Reformation
2:13-22	1st in Lent
2:13-25	3d in Lent
2:15-17	Reformation
2:18-22	1st in Lent
2:23-25	Septuagesima
3:1-15	Trinity Sunday
3:13-17	Epiphany
3:16-18	Christmas
3:16-21	Christmas
	Mon. a. Pentecost
3:22-30	3d a. Epiphany
3:22-36	4th in Advent
	2nd a. Epiphany
	Palm Sunday
3:31-36	Transfiguration
4:1-14	3d a. Epiphany

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4:4-24	4th a. Epiphany
4:5-14	3d a. Epiphany
4:5-15	Sexagesima
4:5-24	6th a. Trinity
4:5-26	2nd a. Epiphany
	3d a. Epiphany
	4th a. Epiphany
4:15-26	4th a. Epiphany
4:19-24	Mon. a. Pentecost
4:19-30	Quinquagesima
4:25-42	5th a. Epiphany
4:27-42	3d a. Epiphany
	4th a. Epiphany
	Transfiguration
	St. Philip and
	St. James
	Apostles
4:31-38	10th a. Trinity
4:31-42	4th a. Epiphany
4:34-36	New Year's Day
4:46-53	21st a. Trinity
4:46-54	21st a. Trinity
5:1-9	21st a. Trinity
5:1-14	14th a. Trinity
5:1-18	5th a. Epiphany
5:5-18	1st in Lent
5:19-21	16th a. Trinity
5:19-26	23d a. Trinity
5:19-29	4th a. Easter
	6th a. Trinity
	10th a. Trinity
	25th a. Trinity
	26th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
5:22-29	2nd a. Trinity
5:23, 24	4th a. Easter
5:28, 29	11th a. Trinity
5:30-36	8th a. Trinity
5:30-38	4th in Advent
5:31-39	Transfiguration
5:31-47	12th a. Trinity
5:37-47	3d a. Trinity
5:39-44	

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5:39-47	Transfiguration
	9th a. Trinity
6:1-15	4th in Lent
6:16-21	4th a. Epiphany
6:22-27	Thanksgiving
6:22-29	4th in Lent
6:24-29	Harvest
6:24-36	4th in Lent
6:26-35	5th a. Epiphany
6:28-40	1st a. Epiphany
6:30-35	5th a. Epiphany
6:32-35	Palm Sunday
6:32-39	2nd Christmas Day
6:37-40	24th a. Trinity
6:41-46	2nd Christmas Day
6:44-47	Mon. a. Pentecost
6:44-51	13th a. Trinity
6:47-51	4th a. Trinity
6:47-56	3d in Lent
6:47-57	4th in Lent
6:47-58	Holy Thursday
	1st a. Trinity
6:52-66	4th in Lent
6:53-64	5th a. Epiphany
6:57, 58	Monday a. Easter
6:57-69	4th in Lent
6:60-69	4th a. Easter
6:60-70	4th a. Easter
6:60-71	Pentecost
6:65-71	1st a. Easter
6:66-69	4th a. Epiphany
7:1-13	23d a. Trinity
7:10-18	9th a. Trinity
7:14-17	Septuagesima
7:14-18	1st a. Epiphany
7:14-24	8th a. Trinity
7:19-31	3d in Lent
7:25-31	13th a. Trinity
7:28-30	Sun. a. Ascension
7:33-39	Mon. a. Pentecost
	Sun. a. Ascension
	Transfiguration

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7:37-39	Pentecost
7:40-52	19th a. Trinity
7:40-53	2nd a. Epiphany
	2nd a. Trinity
8:1-11	2nd a. Trinity
	4th a. Trinity
8:5-36	5th in Lent
8:12	Epiphany
8:12-16	4th a. Epiphany
	Quinquagesima
8:12-19	a. Christmas
8:12-20	4th in Lent
	Sun. a. Ascension
8:21-29	Sexagesima
8:21-30	2nd in Lent
8:23-28	1st in Lent
8:23-36	22nd a. Trinity
8:25-36	Sexagesima
8:30-36	Reformation
8:31-35	12th a. Trinity
8:31-36	5th a. Trinity
	12th a. Trinity
	17th a. Trinity
	Reformation
8:31-45	5th in Lent
8:37-45	12th a. Trinity
8:46-50	5th in Lent
8:46-59	5th in Lent
	18th a. Trinity
9:1-5	16th a. Trinity
9:1-7	11th a. Trinity
	17th a. Trinity
9:1-12	17th a. Trinity
9:1-22	2nd in Lent
9:1-41	19th a. Trinity
9:24-39	18th a. Trinity
9:24-41	12th a. Trinity
	13th a. Trinity
	19th a. Trinity
10:1-10	2nd a. Easter
10:1-11	2nd a. Easter
	3d a. Easter

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10:11-16	2nd a. Easter
10:17-21	2nd a. Easter
10:22-30	2nd a. Easter
	21st a. Trinity
	24th a. Trinity
10:23-30	6th a. Trinity
	24th a. Trinity
10:23-38	3d in Lent
10:24-33	3d in Lent
10:31-42	a. New Year
11:1-11	15th a. Trinity
11:1-16	3d in Lent
	3d a. Easter
11:1-27	4th in Lent
	St. Thomas, Apostle
11:1-44	16th a. Trinity
11:17-27	4th a. Easter
11:20-27	Sexagesima
11:20-46	Sexagesima
11:21-27	25th a. Trinity
11:25, 26	Easter
11:25-27	1st a. Easter
11:28-45	5th a. Easter
11:28-53	5th in Lent
11:32-45	21st a. Trinity
11:32-46	4th in Lent
11:41-53	5th in Lent
11:46-57	4th in Lent
11:47-12:8	Quinquagesima
11:47-53	5th in Lent
11:47-57	Quinquagesima
	4th in Lent
	5th in Lent
12:1-8	Palm Sunday
12:1-11	Palm Sunday
12:1-13	Palm Sunday
12:1-16	Palm Sunday
12:1-19	Palm Sunday
12:12-19	Palm Sunday
12:20-26	2nd in Lent
	3d a. Easter

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12:20-32	5th in Lent
12:20-33	Quinquagesima
12:23-33	Quinquagesima
	5th in Lent
	Palm Sunday
12:24-26	3d a. Easter
12:27-33	4th in Lent
12:27-36	5th in Lent
12:35-38	Sexagesima
12:35-50	3d in Advent
12:37-45	2nd a. Easter
12:42-50	4th in Lent
12:44-50	a. New Year
	5th in Lent
	Mon. a. Pentecost
	1st a. Trinity
13:1-15	Holy Thursday
13:1-17	Holy Thursday
13:16-20	Holy Thursday
13:31, 32	7th a. Trinity
13:31-35	5th in Lent
13:31-38	3d in Lent
13:34-38	2nd in Lent
14:1-6	1st a. Easter
	2nd a. Easter
	25th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
14:1-12	3d a. Easter
	Sun. a. Ascension
14:1-14	St. Philip and St. James
	2nd a. Easter
	Sun. a. Ascension
14:7-14	15th a. Trinity
14:8-19	Trinity Sunday
14:12-17	Sun. a. Ascension
14:13	New Year's Day
14:13-21	5th a. Easter
14:15-20	Pentecost
14:15-21	Pentecost
14:23-27	Pentecost
14:23-31	Pentecost

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15:1-7	Pentecost
15:1-8	Mon. a. Pentecost
	1st a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
15:1-9	Trinity Sunday
15:1-11	4th a. Easter
	16th a. Trinity
	St. Mark,
	Evangelist
15:8-16	Mon. a. Pentecost
15:9-16	Mon. a. Pentecost
	2nd a. Easter
15:9-17	1st in Lent
15:10-17	4th a. Easter
15:17-21	St. Simon and
	St. Jude
15:17-25	St. Simon and
	St. Jude
15:17-27	3d a. Easter
	14th a. Trinity
15:18-21	22nd a. Trinity
15:18-25	2nd in Lent
	Sun. a. Ascension
15:26-16:4	Sun. a. Ascension
16:5-15	4th a. Easter
16:7-14	Pentecost
16:16-23	3d a. Easter
16:23-30	5th a. Easter
16:23-33	5th a. Easter
16:28-33	Ascension
16:33	All Saints' Day
17:1-8	3d a. Easter
17:1-10	4th a. Easter
17:1-11	4th a. Easter
	5th a. Easter
17:1-16	4th in Lent
17:3	1st in Advent
17:6-10	Reformation
17:9-17	4th a. Easter
17:9-19	4th a. Easter
17:11-13	Ascension
17:11-26	Ascension

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17:12-18	3d a. Easter
17:12-26	Ascension
17:17-24	4th a. Easter
17:17-26	Ascension
17:18-23	5th a. Easter
17:20-26	5th a. Easter
17:24	All Saints' Day
17:24-26	Ascension
18:1-19:42	Good Friday
18:15-27	4th in Lent
18:36, 37	1st in Advent
19:1-11	5th in Lent
19:17-30	Good Friday
19:28-37	Good Friday
19:30	Good Friday
20:1-10	Easter
	Mon. a. Easter
20:1-18	Easter
20:10-18	Easter
20:11-18	Easter
	Mon. a. Easter
20:19-23	1st a. Easter
20:19-31	1st a. Easter
20:24-29	St. Thomas,
	Apostle
20:24-31	St. Thomas,
	Apostle
21:1-14	1st a. Easter
	2nd a. Easter
	3d a. Easter
	St. John,
	Apostle
21:1-19	1st a. Easter
21:15-19	1st a. Easter
	2nd a. Easter
	4th a. Easter
	5th a. Trinity
21:15-23	1st a. Easter
21:15-24	1st a. Easter
	St. John,
	Apostle

	John		Acts
21:19-24	St. John, Apostle		3d a. Trinity 4th a. Trinity
21:20-22	3d a. Easter	4:1-22	4th a. Trinity
21:20-25	4th a. Easter	4:8-20	3d a. Easter 2nd a. Trinity 10th a. Trinity
	5th a. Easter		3d a. Trinity 4th a. Trinity
	Acts	4:8-22	3d a. Trinity
1:1-11	Ascension	4:8-31	4th a. Trinity
1:6-11	Ascension	4:13-22	3d a. Trinity
1:15-26	Sun. a. Ascension	4:13-21	2nd a. Trinity
	St. Matthias, Apostle	4:23-31	5th a. Trinity
2:1-13	Pentecost	4:23-37	4th a. Trinity
2:1-18	Pentecost	4:32-35	1st a. Trinity
2:1-21	Pentecost	4:32-37	1st a. Trinity
2:14-18	Mon. a. Pentecost	4:32-5:11	6th a. Trinity
2:22-39	Mon. a. Pentecost	5:1-11	2nd a. Trinity 5th a. Trinity 6th a. Trinity
2:29-32	Easter	5:12-24	7th a. Trinity
2:32-41	Pentecost	5:16-21	4th a. Trinity
2:33-42	Mon. a. Pentecost	5:17-42	5th a. Trinity
2:33-47	Trinity Sunday	4:34-42	3d a. Trinity 5th a. Trinity 7th a. Trinity
2:36-41	Mon. a. Pentecost		6th a. Trinity
2:37-40	Trinity Sunday	6:1-7	8th a. Trinity 17th a. Trinity
2:37-47	Pentecost		4th a. Trinity 5th a. Trinity
2:38, 39	Mon. a. Pentecost	6:8-15	St. Stephen, Martyr
2:38-41	Trinity Sunday	6:8-7:60	2nd Christmas Day
2:38-41	Pentecost	6:8-15 and 7:54-60	7th a. Trinity
2:41-47	Pentecost		St. Stephen, Martyr
2:42-47	Pentecost	7:51-59	9th a. Trinity
	Mon. a. Pentecost	7:54-59	10th a. Trinity
3:1-9	1st a. Trinity	7:54-8:3	4th a. Trinity
3:1-10	2nd a. Trinity	8:1-8	10th a. Trinity
3:1-11	1st a. Trinity	8:9-25	11th a. Trinity
3:1-16	3d a. Trinity		
3:9-26	3d a. Trinity		
3:12-20	1st a. Easter		
3:19-26	3d in Advent		
3:22-26	1st in Advent		
4:1-12	1st a. Trinity		
	2nd a. Trinity		

Acts

8:14-24	9th a. Trinity
8:14-25	Pentecost
	8th a. Trinity
	9th a. Trinity
8:26-38	4th a. Trinity
	6th a. Trinity
	9th a. Trinity
	12th a. Trinity
8:26-39	a. New Year
	Epiphany
8:36-39	10th a. Trinity
9:1-8	10th a. Trinity
9:1-19	5th a. Trinity
	7th a. Trinity
9:1-20	4th a. Trinity
	12th a. Trinity
9:1-22	5th a. Trinity
	13th a. Trinity
	Conversion of St. Paul
9:19-28	11th a. Trinity
9:32-43	5th a. Trinity
9:36-42	Septuagesima
9:36-43	8th a. Trinity
10:1-33	7th a. Trinity
10:25-33	12th a. Trinity
10:34-41	Monday a. Easter
10:34-43	Monday a. Easter
10:42-48	Mon. a. Pentecost
11:1-18	14th a. Trinity
11:19-26	Mon. a. Pentecost
12:1-11	13th a. Trinity
	St. Peter and St. Paul
12:1-17	8th a. Trinity
13:1-12	Sun. a. Ascension
13:26-39	Easter
13:26-41	Monday a. Easter
13:32-41	1st a. Easter
13:38-43	4th a. Trinity
13:42-49	14th a. Trinity
13:42-52	Transfiguration

Acts

13:44-49	10th a. Trinity
	Missions
14:1-20	15th a. Trinity
14:8-18	6th a. Trinity
	8th a. Trinity
14:8-20	10th a. Trinity
	15th a. Trinity
14:11-17	Harvest
14:11-18	15th a. Trinity
14:19-23	16th a. Trinity
15:4-22	11th a. Trinity
15:6-12	17th a. Trinity
	22nd a. Trinity
16:8-10	Missions
16:9-15	5th a. Epiphany
	12th a. Trinity
	Missions
16:12-15	8th a. Trinity
16:13-40	16th a. Trinity
16:16-32	8th a. Trinity
16:16-34	9th a. Trinity
	16th a. Trinity
16:16-36	8th a. Trinity
16:22-33	7th a. Trinity
16:24-35	Sexagesima
17:10-14	2nd a. Trinity
17:15-34	11th a. Trinity
	17th a. Trinity
17:16-28	17th a. Trinity
	18th a. Trinity
17:16-34	9th a. Trinity
17:21-34	10th a. Trinity
17:22-31	Thanksgiving St. John, the Baptist
17:24-31	9th a. Trinity
18:1-18	13th a. Trinity
18:24-28	a. New Year
	7th a. Trinity
19:1-7	a. New Year
19:1-8	Mon. a. Pentecost
19:1-11	19th a. Trinity

Acts

19:23-40	12th a. Trinity
	19th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
20:15-38	11th a. Trinity
20:17-38	10th a. Trinity
	13th a. Trinity
	18th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
	21st a. Trinity
20:26-32	23d a. Trinity
20:32-35	15th a. Trinity
21:3-19	14th a. Trinity
21:8-14	19th a. Trinity
	21st a. Trinity
	22nd a. Trinity
21:40-22:22	15th a. Trinity
23:1-17	16th a. Trinity
24:1-25	17th a. Trinity
24:10-16	23d a. Trinity
24:22-26	9th a. Trinity
24:24-27	3c a. Trinity
	22nd a. Trinity
	24th a. Trinity
25:6-12	25th a. Trinity
26:1-29	5th a. Trinity
26:13-32	18th a. Trinity
26:24-31	12th a. Trinity
26:24-32	26th a. Trinity
28:16-31	19th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
28:17-31	20th a. Trinity

Romans

1:4	1st a. Easter
1:13-20	3d a. Epiphany
1:13-25	3d a. Epiphany
1:14-20	3d a. Epiphany
1:16, 17	Reformation
1:16-20	1st in Advent
1:16-21	10th a. Trinity
1:16-25	2nd in Advent
	2nd a. Epiphany

Romans

2:1-11	4th a. Epiphany
	Humiliation
2:1-12	4th in Advent
2:1-13	4th a. Trinity
2:4-11	4th a. Epiphany
2:11-16	13th a. Trinity
2:12-16	3d in Advent
	5th a. Epiphany
2:12-24	1st Advent
3:1-18	2nd in Advent
3:1-20	15th a. Trinity
3:19-26	Transfiguration
3:19-31	2nd in Lent
3:21-26	a. New Year
3:21-31	11th a. Trinity
3:23-31	Epiphany
	11th a. Trinity
3:27-31	Septuagesima
	1st in Lent
4:1-8	3d a. Trinity
	22nd a. Trinity
4:4-12	21st a. Trinity
4:16-25	1st a. Epiphany
4:23-5:11	2nd a. Easter
5:1-5	2nd a. Epiphany
	3d a. Epiphany
	Septuagesima
5:1-8	21st a. Trinity
5:1-11	Sexagesima
	Quinquagesima
5:12-21	5th in Lent
5:17-6:2	2nd in Lent
6:3-11	a. New Year
	6th a. Trinity
6:12-18	6th a. Trinity
6:16-18	9th a. Trinity
6:19-23	4th in Lent
	7th a. Trinity
7:6-25	4th a. Epiphany
7:7-16	4th a. Epiphany
7:7-25	a. New Year

Romans

7:14-25	14th a. Trinity
	19th a. Trinity
7:18-25	17th a. Trinity
7:18-8:4	12th a. Trinity
8:1-9	5th a. Epiphany
8:1-11	3d a. Epiphany
	5th a. Epiphany
	1st a. Trinity
8:8, 9	8th a. Trinity
8:12-17	8th a. Trinity
8:18-23	4th a. Trinity
8:24-30	New Year's Day
	3d a. Epiphany
8:24-32	New Year's Day
8:26-28	Sun. a. Ascension
8:28-39	2nd Christmas Day
	2nd in Lent
	St. James, Apostle
8:31-39	5th in Lent
	13th a. Trinity
	25th a. Trinity
8:33-39	11th a. Trinity
8:34-39	Ascension
9:1-8	a. New Year
9:30-10:8	12th a. Trinity
10:1-11	2nd a. Trinity
10:1-12	2nd a. Epiphany
10:1-13	18th a. Trinity
10:1-15	2nd a. Trinity
10:1-17	Transfiguration
10:8-18	1st a. Epiphany
	Quinquagesima
10:9-17	2nd a. Easter
10:10-18	St. Andrew, the Apostle
10:11-18	3d in Advent
10:12-18	6th a. Trinity
10:12-21	1st a. Epiphany
10:14-18	Epiphany
11:1-21	8th a. Trinity
11:17-24	10th a. Trinity
11:16-32	4th in Advent

11:25-32	9th a. Trinity
11:33-36	Trinity Sunday
	Harvest
12:1-5	1st a. Epiphany
12:6-16	2nd a. Epiphany
12:7, 8	1st in Lent
12:11, 12	5th a. Epiphany
12:17-21	3d a. Epiphany
13:1, 2	Transfiguration
13:1-7	Transfiguration
	18th a. Trinity
	23d a. Trinity
13:8-10	4th a. Epiphany
13:11-14	1st in Advent
14:1-9	20th a. Trinity
14:1-12	15th a. Trinity
14:1-18	4th a. Trinity
14:4-12	21st a. Trinity
14:6-13	2nd a. Easter
14:7, 8	a. New Year
14:7-12	2nd in Advent
14:13-19	Sexagesima
14:13-23	16th a. Trinity
	1st a. Epiphany
14:14-23	19th a. Trinity
14:17-19	1st in Advent
	11th a. Trinity
15:4-13	2nd in Advent
16:17-20	23d a. Trinity

I Corinthians

1:4-8	18th a. Trinity
1:4-9	18th a. Trinity
1:9-18	5th a. Epiphany
1:10-15	Reformation
1:10-17	4th a. Epiphany
1:18-24	Quinquagesima
1:18-25	1st in Lent
	2nd in Lent
1:20-25	Quinquagesima
1:20-31	1st a. Epiphany
1:21-31	Quinquagesima
1:26-29	4th in Advent

I Corinthians

1:26-31	2nd a. Trinity
	24th a. Trinity
1:30	Good Friday
2:1-10	4th a. Epiphany
2:1-12	Trinity Sunday
2:1-16	2nd a. Epiphany
2:6-16	2nd a. Epiphany
	Pentecost
2:7-14	Trinity Sunday
2:7-16	Mon. a. Pentecost
2:9-16	12th a. Trinity
2:10, 11	Trinity Sunday
3:1-11	4th a. Epiphany
3:3-13	St. Peter and St. Paul
3:7-23	Septuagesima
3:10-17	10th a. Trinity
3:11-15	Reformation
3:11-17	3d in Advent
3:11-23	Reformation
4:1-5	3d in Advent
4:9-20	4th a. Epiphany
5:6-8	Easter
5:7, 8	Easter
6:9-20	5th a. Epiphany
6:14	Monday a. Easter
6:19, 20	Sexagesima
7:24	13th a. Trinity
7:29-31	15th a. Trinity
8:1-6	16th a. Trinity
9:13-23	22nd a. Trinity
9:16-23	3d in Advent
9:24-27	Septuagesima
9:24-10:5	Septuagesima
10:6-13	9th a. Trinity
10:14-21	Holy Thursday
10:16, 17	Holy Thursday
10:16-22	Holy Thursday
10:29-11:1	9th a. Trinity
11:23-29	Palm Sunday
11:23-32	Holy Thursday
11:26-29	Holy Thursday

11:28-32	Holy Thursday
12:1-11	10th a. Trinity
12:2-11	10th a. Trinity
12:3-7	Pentecost
12:4-13	Trinity Sunday
12:12-17	21st a. Trinity
12:12-30	Mon. a. Pentecost
12:26-31	Missions
13:1-13	Quinquagesima
14:20-26	4th a. Easter
15:1-10	11th a. Trinity
15:12-20	Easter
15:12-21	Easter
15:12-22	Monday a. Easter
15:12-28	Easter
15:19	3d a. Easter
15:20-28	Easter
	Monday a. Easter
15:22-28	27th a. Trinity
15:34-49	Monday a. Easter
15:35-40	21st a. Trinity
15:35-49	Monday a. Easter
	24th a. Trinity
15:35-58	Monday a. Easter
15:40-44	4th a. Easter
15:50-57	1st a. Easter
15:50-58	Monday a. Easter
	1st a. Easter
15:51-58	Easter
15:53-58	Easter
15:54-58	Monday a. Easter
	1st a. Easter
15:58	26th a. Trinity

II Corinthians

1:3-7	Sexagesima
	3d in Lent
	5th in Lent
1:3-20	a. Christmas
1:18-24	Pentecost
1:23-2:17	Sexagesima
2:5-11	1st a. Easter
2:14-17	19th a. Trinity

II Corinthians

3:4-11	12th a. Trinity
3:4-18	12th a. Trinity
3:12-18	Transfiguration Sexagesima 12th a. Trinity Reformation
4:1-6	Reformation
4:1-10	Transfiguration
4:1-18	14th a. Trinity
4:3-6	4th in Advent Epiphany
4:5-10	St. Bartholomew, Apostle
4:6-11	3d a. Easter
4:7-10	St. Bartholomew, Apostle
4:7-11	3d a. Easter
4:7-14	3d in Lent 16th a. Trinity
4:11-18	22nd a. Trinity Palm Sunday
4:13-18	26th a. Trinity
4:16-18	3d a. Easter
5:1-9	a. Christmas
5:1-10	1st a. Easter Sun. a. Ascension 24th a. Trinity 25th a. Trinity
5:6-11	25th a. Trinity
5:12-21	Good Friday
5:14, 15	Good Friday
5:14-21	4th in Lent 5th in Lent Good Friday Monday a. Easter
5:19-21	4th in Lent
6:1-10	1st in Lent
6:11-18	3d in Lent
6:14-18	5th a. Epiphany Humiliation
6:14-7:1	1st a. Epiphany 8th a. Trinity

6:16	Mon. a. Pentecost
7:1-12	2nd in Lent
7:4-10	4th in Lent
7:6-10	18th a. Trinity
7:6-13	4th in Lent
8:1-9	Septuagesima 17th a. Trinity
8:1-12	21st a. Trinity
8:1-15	15th a. Trinity
8:8-15	Thanksgiving
9:6-10	13th a. Trinity
9:6-11	15th a. Trinity Harvest
9:6-15	19th a. Trinity 26th a. Trinity Harvest
10:3-6	21st a. Trinity
10:7-18	2nd in Advent
11:19-31	Sexagesima
11:19-12:9	Sexagesima
11:23-30	Quinquagesima
12:2-9	7th a. Trinity
13:1-14	Trinity Sunday
13:5-13	27th a. Trinity
13:5-14	Septuagesima
13:8	2nd a. Trinity
13:11-14	Trinity Sunday
13:14	Trinity Sunday

Galatians

1:1-12	Reformation
1:6-16	2nd a. Epiphany
2:11-18	Reformation
2:16-21	Palm Sunday 5th a. Trinity Reformation
2:17-21	3d in Lent 5th a. Trinity
3:1-4	5th a. Trinity
3:1-12	6th a. Trinity
3:5-14	5th a. Epiphany
3:15-22	13th a. Trinity
3:16-22	13th a. Trinity

Galatians

3:21-28	13th a. Trinity
3:23-29	New Year's Day
4:1-7	a. Christmas
4:21-31	4th in Lent
4:22-31	4th in Lent
5:1-14	17th a. Trinity
5:1-15	Reformation
5:13-18	1st in Lent
5:16-24	14th a. Trinity
5:25-6:10	15th a. Trinity

Ephesians

1:3-6	2nd in Advent
	St. Thomas, the Apostle
1:3-8	Christmas
1:3-14	Septuagesima
	Trinity Sunday
1:3-23	Pentecost
1:9-14	Pentecost
1:15-23	Easter
	Ascension
	Sun. a. Ascension
1:20-23	Ascension
2:1-10	5th in Lent
	3d a. Trinity
2:1-12	Epiphany
2:4-10	3d a. Epiphany
	2nd a. Easter
	6th a. Trinity
2:10-22	Pentecost
2:11-18	1st a. Easter
2:13-18	3d a. Trinity
2:13-22	Mon. a. Pentecost
2:17-22	Pentecost
2:19-22	4th a. Easter
	Pentecost
	Mon. a. Pentecost
	14th a. Trinity
	St. Philip and St. James
3:1-7	Mon. a. Pentecost

Ephesians

3:13-21	16th a. Trinity
4:1-6	17th a. Trinity
4:7-13	Ascension
	St. Mark, Evangelist
4:7-14	St. Matthew, Apostle
4:7-16	Ascension
	St. Matthew, Apostle
4:8-16	15th a. Trinity
4:11-15	2nd a. Epiphany
	Reformation
4:11-16	Mon. a. Pentecost
4:14-16	5th a. Epiphany
	Sun. a. Ascension
4:17-28	19th a. Trinity
4:22-28	19th a. Trinity
4:29-32	7th a. Trinity
4:30-32	22nd a. Trinity
5:1-9	3d in Lent
5:6-14	1st in Advent
5:15-20	20th a. Trinity
5:15-21	20th a. Trinity
5:22, 23	2nd a. Epiphany
5:25	21st a. Trinity
6:1-4	1st a. Epiphany
	2nd a. Epiphany
	2nd a. Easter
6:1-9	14th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
	21st a. Trinity
6:10-17	21st a. Trinity
6:10-18	21st a. Trinity

Philippians

1:3-11	22nd a. Trinity
1:12-21	Sexagesima
1:12-26	Sexagesima
1:19-26	16th a. Trinity
1:20, 21	24th a. Trinity
1:21-30	23d a. Trinity

Philippians

1:27-2:4	Septuagesima
2:1-4	4th a. Easter
	13th a. Trinity
2:1-11	13th a. Trinity
2:5-11	Palm Sunday
	Good Friday
2:12-18	Palm Sunday
	12th a. Trinity
3:7-14	Septuagesima
3:8-14	5th a. Trinity
3:8-16	14th a. Trinity
3:13-16	3d a. Easter
3:17-21	23d a. Trinity
3:17-4:3	23d a. Trinity
4:4-7	4th in Advent
4:8-17	New Year's Day

Colossians

1:9-12	24th a. Trinity
1:9-14	24th a. Trinity
1:9-23	Trinity Sunday
1:15-17	2nd Christmas Day
1:16-23	1st in Advent
1:19-21	Epiphany
1:24-29	Epiphany
	3d in Lent
2:1-5	2nd in Lent
2:6-9	Reformation
2:6-15	New Year's Day
	5th in Lent
2:9-15	a. New Year
2:16-23	5th a. Epiphany
	17th a. Trinity
2:18	1st a. Epiphany
3:1-4	1st a. Easter
	Ascension
	23d a. Trinity
3:1-10	Sun. a. Ascension
	19th a. Trinity
3:1-11	Sun. a. Ascension
3:12-17	5th a. Epiphany
3:17-4:1	19th a. Trinity

Colossians

4:1-6	4th a. Trinity
4:2-9	19th a. Trinity

I Thessalonians

1:1-10	Septuagesima
2:9-13	4th a. Easter
2:9-20	20th a. Trinity
4:1-7	2nd in Lent
4:9-12	6th a. Trinity
4:11, 12	17th a. Trinity
4:13, 14	All Saints' Day
4:13-18	25th a. Trinity
5:1-10	25th a. Trinity
5:1-11	24th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
5:5-10	a. New Year
5:6-9	4th a. Epiphany
5:14-23	22nd a. Trinity
5:14-24	11th a. Trinity
	16th a. Trinity
	24th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
5:14-25	5th a. Easter

II Thessalonians

1:3-10	26th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
2:1-12	25th a. Trinity
2:1-17	25th a. Trinity
2:7-17	Reformation
2:13-17	3d a. Epiphany
2:16, 17	27th a. Trinity
3:1-5	18th a. Trinity
3:1-13	9th a. Trinity
3:5-12	19th a. Trinity
3:6-13	15th a. Trinity
	22nd a. Trinity
3:6-16	15th a. Trinity
3:10-13	9th a. Trinity

I Timothy

1:15	2nd in Advent
1:8-17	3d a. Trinity
1:12-17	4th in Advent
	Palm Sunday
	7th a. Trinity
	10th a. Trinity
	14th a. Trinity
1:18, 19	4th a. Trinity
2:1-6	4th in Advent
	5th a. Easter
	20th a. Trinity
	23d a. Trinity
2:1-8	Thanksgiving
2:4, 5	3d in Advent
3:14-16	Christmas Day
3:16	Christmas Day
	a. Christmas
4:1-9	8th a. Trinity
4:1-11	23d a. Trinity
4:4-11	23d a. Trinity
4:6-11	3d a. Trinity
5:17-25	6th a. Trinity
6:1-5	3d a. Epiphany
6:3-12	21st a. Trinity
6:6-10	8th a. Trinity
	9th a. Trinity
	Harvest
6:6-11	4th a. Epiphany
6:6-12	7th a. Trinity
	11th a. Trinity
6:6-16	18th a. Trinity
6:6-19	1st a. Trinity
6:11-16	2nd in Advent
	5th a. Easter
6:12-16	4th in Lent
6:13-19	New Year's Day
6:17-19	Harvest

II Timothy

1:3-5	2nd a. Epiphany
1:3-14	3d a. Easter
1:7-10	4th a. Epiphany

II Timothy

1:7-14	Trinity Sunday
1:9, 10	Easter
2:1-13	1st a. Easter
2:3-9	2nd Christmas Day
2:3-13	9th a. Trinity
2:3-15	3d in Advent
2:8-13	4th a. Easter
	Sun. a. Ascension
2:14-23	4th a. Easter
2:19-26	1st a. Trinity
3:1-13	24th a. Trinity
3:10-17	2nd in Advent
3:12-17	4th a. Trinity
3:15-17	3d a. Trinity
3:10-4:5	Sexagesima
4:1-8	11th a. Trinity
	24th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
	a. Christmas
4:3-8	3d in Advent
4:5-8	St. Luke,
4:5-11	Evangelist

Titus

2:1-10	2nd a. Epiphany
2:11-14	Christmas
3:4-7	New Year's Day
	2nd Christmas Day
3:4-8	Trinity Sunday

Hebrews

1:1-3	Christmas Day
1:1-6	Christmas Day
1:1-12	Christmas Day
1:1-14	St. John, Apostle
1:13-2:10	1st in Lent
2:2-4	Pentecost
2:3-18	2nd Christmas Day
2:6-15	2nd Christmas Day
2:9-18	Quinquagesima
2:10-15	2nd in Lent
2:10-18	St. Thomas,
	Apostle

Hebrews

2:11-16	1st a. Epiphany	10:19-31	20th a. Trinity
2:14-18	2nd Christmas Day	10:22-39	18th a. Trinity
3:1-6	a. Christmas	10:23-25	1st a. Trinity
	5th in Lent	10:32-39	25th a. Trinity
3:1-14	1st a. Epiphany	10:35, 36	New Year's Day
3:5, 6	3d a. Epiphany	10:35-39	2nd in Advent
3:12-19	2nd a. Epiphany	11:1-10	24th a. Trinity
	10th a. Trinity	11:1-22	3d a. Epiphany
4:1-11	20th a. Trinity	11:8-35	Transfiguration
4:1-13	2nd a. Easter	11:23-40	4th a. Epiphany
	23d a. Trinity	11:24-27	21st a. Trinity
4:9-11	All Saints' Day	12:1-3	1st in Lent
4:9-13	17th a. Trinity		All Saints' Day
	23d a. Trinity	12:1-4	St. Stephen, Martyr
4:12-19	Transfiguration	12:1-6	3d in Lent
4:14-16	5th in Lent		Palm Sunday
	Ascension	12:1-13	3d in Lent
	26th a. Trinity	12:5-11	7th a. Trinity
4:14-5:9	1st in Lent	12:7-13	23d a. Trinity
4:15, 16	1st in Lent	12:12-15	Humiliation
5:5	All Saints' Day	12:12-17	7th a. Trinity
5:5, 7-9	2nd in Lent	12:14-17	1st in Lent
5:7-9	Palm Sunday	12:14-24	16th a. Trinity
5:7-10	3d in Lent	12:15-25	3d in Advent
5:11-6-10	10th a. Trinity	12:18-24	16th a. Trinity
6:1-15	17th a. Trinity		26th a. Trinity
6:17-20	Ascension	12:18-29	Quinquagesima
7:11-28	4th in Lent	12:22-25	27th a. Trinity
7:23-27	5th a. Easter	13:1-9	2nd a. Trinity
7:24-27	5th in Lent		22nd a. Trinity
7:26-8:2	22nd a. Trinity	13:1-21	22nd a. Trinity
8:1, 2	Sun. a. Ascension	13:7	Quinquagesima
8:8-11	Pentecost	13:7-9	Reformation
8:8-12	Palm Sunday	13:8	New Year's Day
9:11-15	5th in Lent		7th a. Trinity
9:24-10:14	Ascension	13:8, 14; 10-35	New Year's Day
10:1-14	4th in Lent	13:9	5th a. Trinity
10:5-18	4th in Lent	13:12-16	4th a. Easter
10:19-23	Good Friday	13:12-21	Quinquagesima
10:19-25	1st in Advent	13:14	New Year's Day
10:19-27	1st in Advent	13:20, 21	2nd a. Easter
10:19-29	Sexagesima		

James

1:2-8	3d in Lent
1:2-11	Sun. a. Ascension
1:2-12	2nd in Lent
	5th a. Easter
	13th a. Trinity
1:5, 6	14th a. Trinity
1:9-12	22nd a. Trinity
1:12-15	1st in Lent
1:16-21	4th a. Easter
1:16-27	Thanksgiving
1:17-21	4th a. Easter
1:22-27	5th a. Easter
1:27	25th a. Trinity
2:1-13	2nd a. Trinity
2:8-13	1st a. Trinity
	21st a. Trinity
2:8-17	6th a. Trinity
2:10	12th a. Trinity
2:10-17	18th a. Trinity
2:13-17	11th a. Trinity
2:14-32	3d a. Trinity
2:14-24	2nd a. Trinity
3:1-10	16th a. Trinity
3:1-18	12th a. Trinity
3:5-10	19th a. Trinity
3:6-18	14th a. Trinity
3:8-12	12th a. Trinity
3:13-18	Quinquagesima
	17th a. Trinity
	19th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity
3:17, 18	2nd a. Epiphany
4:1-10	3d a. Trinity
4:1-17	24th a. Trinity
4:2, 3	23rd a. Trinity
4:4-10	25th a. Trinity
4:7-10	16th a. Trinity
4:7-17	11th a. Trinity
4:13-16	1st a. Trinity
4:13-17	a. New Year
5:1-7	1st a. Trinity
5:7, 8	5th a. Easter

James

5:7-10	2nd in Advent
	22nd a. Trinity
5:7-11	24th a. Trinity
5:7-20	26th a. Trinity
5:11	All Saints' Day
5:13-20	19th a. Trinity
	20th a. Trinity

I Peter

1:1-9	Trinity Sunday
1:3-8	3d a. Easter
1:3-9	Easter
	1st a. Easter
	St. Simon and
	St. Jude
1:3-12	3d in Advent
1:3-16	1st a. Easter
1:3-21	Transfiguration
1:7-13	3d in Advent
1:10-16	4th in Lent
1:13-16	3d in Lent
1:13-21	5th in Lent
1:13-25	3d in Lent
1:17-25	1st in Lent
	4th in Lent
	5th in Lent
1:18-23	Monday a. Easter
1:22-25	1st a. Easter
2:1-4	1st a. Epiphany
2:1-10	a. Christmas
	New Year's Day
	13th a. Trinity
2:3-9	20th a. Trinity
2:5-10	7th a. Trinity
2:11-20	3d a. Easter
2:21-25	2nd a. Easter
3:8-15	5th a. Trinity
3:15, 16	10th a. Trinity
3:15-17	3d a. Epiphany
3:15-18	12th a. Trinity

I Peter

- 3:15-22 Ascension
- 4:1-5 2nd in Lent
- 4:1-6 Palm Sunday
- 4:3-7 4th in Advent
- 4:7-11 Sun. a. Ascension
- 4:12-19 2nd Christmas Day
- 5:1-5 a. New Year
- 5:6, 7 5th a. Trinity
- 5:6-11 2nd a. Easter
- Septuagesima
- 3d a. Trinity

II Peter

- 1:2-4 Sun. a. Ascension
- 1:2-9 2nd in Advent
- Sexagesima
- 1:2-11 14th a. Trinity
- 1:2-15 4th a. Trinity
- 1:3-11 2nd in Advent
- Septuagesima
- 1:10-15 a. Christmas
- 1:16-18 7th a. Trinity
- 1:16-21 Transfiguration
- Sexagesima
- 1:19-21 3d in Advent
- 2nd in Lent
- 2:1-11 27th a. Trinity
- 3:3-13 Transfiguration
- 26th a. Trinity
- 3:3-14 26th a. Trinity
- 3:14-18 Transfiguration

I John

- 1:1-4 4th in Advent
- 2nd Christmas Day
- 1:1-7 Christmas
- 2nd a. Easter
- Presentation
- 1:1-10 St. John,
- Evangelist

I John

- 1:5-10 4th a. Epiphany
- 1:5-2:2 2nd a. Trinity
- 20th a. Trinity
- 1:8-10 6th a. Trinity
- 1:8-2:2 11th a. Trinity
- 2:1-6 Good Friday
- 2:3-11 3d a. Easter
- 2:7-17 18th a. Trinity
- 2:12-17 2nd in Lent
- 3d a. Easter
- 15th a. Trinity
- 2:12-19 25th a. Trinity
- 2:14-17 4th a. Easter
- 2:17 All Saints' Day
- 2:24-29 18th a. Trinity
- 2:28-3:8 16th a. Trinity
- 3:1-3 21st a. Trinity
- 3:1-5 Christmas
- 3:1-6 Epiphany
- 3d a. Easter
- 3:1-8 4th a. Easter
- a. New Year
- 3:1-9 Trinity Sunday
- 16th a. Trinity
- 3:5, 6 5th in Lent
- 3:7-12 1st in Lent
- 3:13-18 2nd a. Trinity
- 3:18-24 4th a. Easter
- 3:19-24 5th a. Easter
- Sun. a. Ascension
- 4:1-6 Christmas
- 1st a. Easter
- 8th a. Trinity
- 4:1-8 2nd a. Easter
- 4:7-10 13th a. Trinity
- 4:7-12 18th a. Trinity
- 4:7-15 Quinquagesima
- 4:7-17 5th a. Epiphany
- Septuagesima
- 4:9 4th in Advent
- 4:9-11 2nd Christmas Day
- 4:9-14 3d a. Easter

I John

4:9-16	2nd Christmas Day
	3d a. Easter
4:12-16	Trinity Sunday
4:16-21	1st a. Trinity
5:1	2nd Christmas Day
5:4-10	1st a. Easter
5:4-12	1st a. Easter
5:9-15	Sun. a. Ascension
5:11-15	5th a. Easter
5:12-21	5th a. Easter
5:14-21	5th a. Epiphany

II John

V. 6-11	17th a. Trinity
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III John

V. 1-12	Epiphany
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Jude

17-21	a. Christmas
17-25	a. Christmas
24, 25	a. Christmas

Revelation

1:4-8	1st in Advent
1:9-18	7th a. Trinity
2:1-5	New Year's Day
	2nd a. Easter
2:1-7	2nd in Advent
	20th a. Trinity
	Humiliation
2:8-11	21st a. Trinity
	26th a. Trinity
3:1-6	3d a. Easter
	22nd a. Trinity
	Humiliation

Revelation

3:1-13	3d in Advent
3:7-11	4th a. Easter
3:7-13	24th a. Trinity
3:14-22	4th in Advent
	5th a. Easter
	23d a. Trinity
3:15-17	26th a. Trinity
5:1-14	Good Friday
	Easter
5:8-14	4th in Lent
7:2-4, 9-12	All Saints' Day
7:2-17	All Saints' Day
7:9-17	24th a. Trinity
	25th a. Trinity
	26th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
	All Saints' Day
7:13-17	2nd a. Easter
12:7-12	St. Michael
	Good Friday
14:1-3	All Saints' Day
14:6, 7	Reformation
14:13	All Saints' Day
19:1-9	25th a. Trinity
19:6-10	Holy Thursday
19:11-16	Ascension
20:11-15	26th a. Trinity
20:11-21:7	27th a. Trinity
21:1-4	27th a. Trinity
21:1-7	26th a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
21:1-8	23d a. Trinity
	27th a. Trinity
21:4	4th a. Easter
21:5-7	27th a. Trinity
22:1-5, 10-15	Humiliation
22:10-17, 20	Transfiguration
22:6-11	26th a. Trinity
22:12-21	27th a. Trinity

